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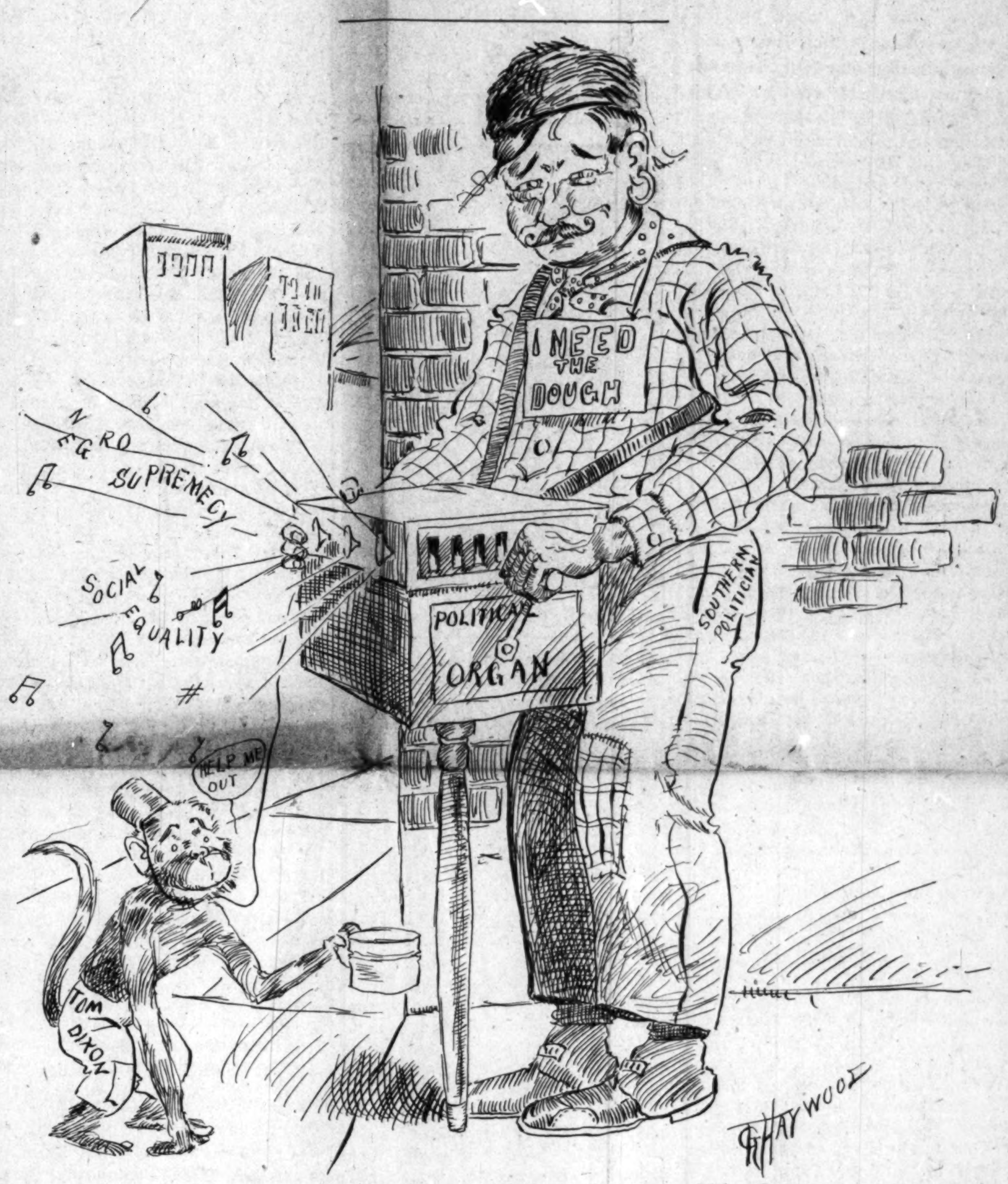


The Same Old Tune and the Same Old Game.

THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

BISHOP CLINTON SOWING GOOD SEED AT ATKINSON COLLEGE

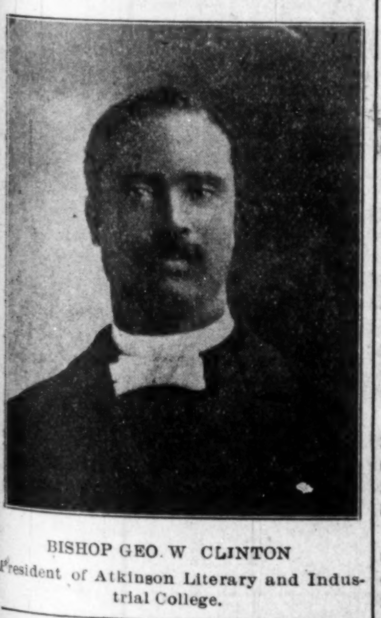
INDUSTRIALISM AND CLASSICS

These Blend in the Middle West—Afro-American Council at Detroit—Attorney Lewis Sounds Keynote Against Disfranchisement.

(STAFF CORRESPONDENCE.)

Industrial and literary schools are as greatly needed for the proper development of the Negro youth of the North as well as for the South, for thoughtful observers are conceding that in proportion as we become equipped to perform satisfactorily the work that the world wants, we shall find the door of opportunity widening for the employment of our knowledge and skill, in every section of the country. The school year now opening finds us more fully alive than ever before to the blessings that are being offered by the many educational institutions throughout the land, and we no longer need to be told that to prepare for the manifold duties of life the Negro youth, in comon with the whites, require and must have every species of training—industrial, technical, college and professional. With the value of a well-rounded development firmly established in the minds of people of both races, the burden of the educator now lies in the direction of providing the necessary buildings, appurtenances and teachers to meet the heavy demands that are being made, and which bid fair to increase with the passing of the years. This is the age of those who know how to "do things" and to "get things done."

A promising school for our boys and girls, of which the colored people of the Middle-West and the borderland of the South should know more, is the Atkinson Literary and Industrial College near Madisonville, Ky, conducted under the auspices of the A. M. E. Zion connection. It is located about a mile from the main square of the prosperous little city, in the center of a large Negro population, and the grounds consist of 32½ acres of fine farming land, including a beautiful campus. The farm is in active operation, the labor being performed by the students, who are thus enabled to assist themselves and at the same time render a great service to the institution. Eight acres are in wheat and the remainder in corn, peas, Irish and sweet potatoes, various vegetables and millet for the stock. Hogs and poultry are raised in goodly numbers. The farm is a great help to the boarding department of the school, besides providing one of its principal industries. There are but two buildings at present—the boys' building and the girls' building. A disastrious fire last year caused much loss in dormitory space. Hence, the school at this time is very much pressed for adequate room, particularly for the girls. There are already in course of erection, eight additional rooms to the young women's building, but owing to a lack of funds, the authorities have been unable to comple the new wing. They expects to be able, with the assistance of generous friends, to make it comfortable for the girls by the beginning of the school term in October. A main building is badly needed for a chapel and public assembly room, and for library and class rooms. The educational department of Zion is doing all it can to push the noble work forward, and substantial white and colored sympathizers have given quite liberally to the cause; but an appeal is now made to the people to consider the grave needs and signal importance of such an institution as Atkinson, and come to its relief. Its existence is regarded as especially fortunate for the Negro children of Kentucky, southern Indiana and Illinois and eastern Missouri, since the heretofore hospitable doors of the famous Berea College have been closed against them. The school, therefore, fills a longfelt want which the farseeing and broadminded members of the race all over the country will not be slow to recognize.



BISHOP GEO. W. CLINTON
President of Atkinson Literary and Industrial College.

The eighth annual session of the National Afro-American Council more than realized the most sanguine expectations of those who appealed for its revival a few short weeks ago. The response to the "old guard', was hearty, prompt and numerous. The attendance at the Detroit meeting was large and representative, and what was not less important, it was of one mind, earnest to the core, and therefore harmonious. The usual bickerings were absent, there was no acrimonious contest for office, and no disgustng effort to abuse men or to discredit any one's methods for the advancement of the race in education, business or religion. The addresses were of a practical and pertinent nature, No time was lost in irrelevant discussion, Definite plans were presented looking to a solution of the problems that vex us as a people, and the views of each delegate was given a respectful and sympathetic hearing. The most notable speech, perhaps, was that delivered by Assistant United States Attorney, William H. Lewis of Boston, who showed in an exhaustive argument that the reduction of the South's representation in Congress and in the electorial college would have the effect of legalizing the disfranchisement of the Negro, and ought to be opposed by every thinking member of the race. Said Mr. Lewis in part:

"I believe that the wise policy for the Negro to pursue is to leave the question to the country. If Congress desires to cut down the represention, well and good. The Negro should have no part in it, and hold the country to strict accounibabilits for the results. What do I advise? I advise in the first plade the employment of the best legal talent in the country to direct the preparation of cases that will bring these constitutions squarely before the Supreme Court. Second, since the state can determine under the Constitution of the United States the right of a citizen of the United States to vote, let us in the meantime prepare to qualify under these revised constitutions in case we should fail in the Supreme Court." He advised practical statesmanship, not merely addresses to the country, demands and resolves, and more or less eloquent talk, in the solution of our problems. For educational preparation he urges that every child be sent to the day schools and that night schools be provided everywhere for the adults. Put every teacher to work and every Negro in touch with needful instruction, and he thinks 'in five years we shall regain our ballot or force the South to revise these institutions once more in order to eliminate the Negro from politics."

This is the keynote of Mr. Lewis' admirable and manly address and it sets forth the basic idea of the Council—to go at things in a result producing manner, both in relation to the legal phase or the Negro's rights and the moulding of sentiment by appeal, petition and literary matter.

Another short quotation from Mr. Lewis may assist the nation to a clearer understanding of the attitude of the Negro on the issue of his rights and duties as citizens. Said Mr. Lewis again:

'In the meantime, let us give the South and the nation to understand that the colored man will never accept a caste position in this country. We will keep our 'place'—the place of American citizens—no other. The South may terrorize over us, proscribe or murder us if they please, but we shall never cease to contend for all the rights of state and national citizenship. We long for peace; we long to see our rights beyond the pale of discussion; but we can never surrender the precious heritage of American citizenship. . . . Week or inferior, backward or forward, we do not intend to cry baby or ask the American people for quarter; all we ask is that which our noble President Theodore Roosevelt ask, who is leading the van of public opinion for equality of opportunity and equality of treatment for the Negro—all that we ask is a square deal, no more, no less. . . . I believe in the end we shall obtain it."

The formal address to the country, which will in all probability appear in next week's issue, was in keeping with the tenor of the speeches made during the sessions and reflected the practical sentiment of the body. Lynching was deplored and appreciation was expressed for the liberal expressions of papers, federal and state officials, preachers and educators which have done much during the year to reduce the number and heinousness of such crimes; the hope was voiced that the time is at hand when lawful authority shall be respected in all parts of the land, leading to a decrease in crime and the realization of that equality of right which is the heritage of every citizen of the United States. A closer union of Afro-Americans is urged, and class legislation is depreciated. Reformation of prison conditions in the South is demanded. The gravity of the problem of finding a habitation more inviting than the South is discussed, and while it is admitted that in the North and West there are larger liberties of a certain kind, the fact must not be overlooked that it is at the South that the best economic opportunities are offered by reason of a suitable climate, superior recognition of the right to work at the trades, and in agriculture and other gainful occupations, and the marvelous material prosperity of the Negro in the South in the past few years is pointed out as evidence that a more healthy sentiment regarding the race may grow out of these better conditions created by the thrift, character and inteligence of the Negro people themselves. To the end that the race may have a manhood and womanhood rounded in all the elements of strength of head and heart for the serious work before us, the Council urges a stronger support and enlargement of our advantages for obtaining both the industrial and the higher education. The spirit of industrial and business effort is commended as the surest way to educate public opinion on all lines where the life of the Afro American people touches that of their white fellow citizens. There is a manly tone of independence, self reliance, pride of race and its possibilities and an air of confidence in the final justice and Christian instinct of the whole American people that presage a new era in in the development of thought and action everywhere in the settlement of the Negro question.

R. W. THOMPSON.

ERIE PA.

Miss Effie Lawrence had a pleasant surprise party on her birthday, given by her many friends. Among the guests were Misses Washington, Bessie Purdy, Edna Blackburn, Alsterhont, Mrs. Jackson, Archie Franklin, Louis Franklin, Robert Baxter and Arthur Drew. Covers were laid for twenty, Many valuable presents were received. The famous Lone Star Quartet of Pittsburg, Henry Gant, leader, George Williams, tenor; Jack Ringold, baritone Abe Grant, base, assisted by Nat Green of Youngstown, will open a two weeks' engagement at North East, Pa.—Mrs. Albert Rector is visiting her daughter at Edinburg, Pa—Mrs. Henry Hardy has returned from a visit to points of interest in Canada and New York—Mrs. P. W. Connor arrived safely at Trinidad, Colo., having a pleasant journey.

ROCKFORD, ILL.

The Jubilee Choir gave a reception August 31, for Rev. Stewart Moore, who went to conference September 4. The Old Settlers gave their picnic at Blakley Grove by special invitation of Peter Blakley. There was a large attendance. The old settlers present were Henry Barnes, Mrs. David Ferguson, Reuben Boyd and family, Mrs. Dixon, Amos Tucker, John Williams, Mrs. Maria Donley, Mr. Blakey and family and William R. Donley—The young people held their picnic at Washington Park, which was largely attended—Mr and Mrs. L. A. Smith have returned from a week's vacation at Chicago, from where he drove his fast pacer. Mrs. W. R. Donley has returned from a short visit at Elgin.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.

Mr. A. Goodchild has succeeded Mr. W. E. Wilkins as headwaiter of the Crescent hotel. Mr. Goodchild is a young man of much experience in the hotel work and is fully able to maintain the position he now holds. His many friends will be glad to know he is doing well—Miss Lottie Lomax left this week for Fort Smith, Ark, after spending a delightful summer here with friends. Miss Lomax is a very amiable young lady and is well thought of by all who know her—The waiters of the Crescent hotel are a jolly set of boys. Every week they give a ball at the little Crescent to which the residing and visiting ladies are invited. Last week they had a large crowd and all had a delightful time.—Although there are but a few Negroes in Eureka Springs it can be easily seen that they love to read and especially do they love to read colored newspapers. The agent here has customers who are "screaming" for the Freeman before 11:00 A. M. on Saturdays. We trust they will get deeper inspiration from the instructive columns of this, the world's leading colored newspaper, the Freeman.

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NEGRO DOCTORS CONFER

INSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS AT THE RICHMOND MEETING

AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL

The Terrell Furore Dies Out—Bishop Walters President of Afro-American Council—Howard University Again Slaughter on the "make up."

Washington, D. C., Special.—The seventh annual session of the National Medical Association, held recently at Richmond, Va., was a notable event in the annals of the progressive life of the Negro. Over one hundred skilled physicians, surgeons, dentists and pharmacists were in attendance, and the papers, discussions and clinics were of the highest order of excellence. At no point was the interest allowed to lag, and all agreed that the meeting was the best and most profitable of the series. Many states were represented, and the Association may lay legitimate claim to the title, "National," in all that the term applies, Our Washington physicians made a most favorable impression upon the body. Some of the more prominent among them were Drs. A. M. Curtis, F. J. Shadd, J. R. Francis, G. W. Cabaniss, J. W. Mitchell, J. R. Wilder, C. W. Childs and M. O. Dumas. Other leading members of the organization were as follows: From Philadelphia, Drs. E. Clarence Howard, N. F. Mossell, R. J. Abele, A. B. Jackson and Arthur Truman Boyer; from Chicago, Drs. George C. Hall, and A. Wilberforce Williams; from New York City, Drs. P. A. Johnson, W. H. Johnson, W. M. Lively, C. A. Roberts and D. P. Reid; Winchester, Ky, Dr. J. H. Holmes; Lexington, Ky., Dr. John E. Hunter, the retiring president; Danville, Ky., B. F. Jones; from West Virginia, H. F. Gamble, Charleston; Hinton, G. W. Holley; from Alabama, A. C. Dungee, Montgomery, J. A. Kenny, Tuskegee; from Nashville, Tenn., C. V. Roman; Missouri, O. A. Fields; Columbia, Tenn., T. W. Stevens and many others of note, who contributed much to the information of the organization. Dr. P. A. Johnson, of New York, delivered a masterly treatise on the development of medical science and the relation the Negro sustains to it, which stirred every heart with the pride that conquers. "The Country Doctor," by Dr. H. F. Gamble· "Ancient and Modern Surgery," by Dr. Mosseli and "Corneal Ulceration" by Dr. Boyer were ably presented. The stellar attraction of the session perhaps was the clinic at Richmond Hospital, with Drs. A. M. Curtis and George C. Hall, as principals. Dr. Hall, one of the country's best known physicians, delivered a scholarly and practical oration on 'Pelvic Operations by Vaginal Route," and gave a demonstration of his own upon a subject furnished by Dr. Curtis, the case being one of abdominal tumor. The doctors in the auditorium were astounded at the ease and coolness with which Dr. Hall handled the difficult and delicate case under the new method and the discussion brought out facts of priceless value for future practice. Dr. Curtis performed a capital operation, sustaining the great reputation he gained as an expert in surgery at Provident Hospital, Chicago, and later as surgeon-in-chief of Freedmen's Hospital at Washington. For two years past, Dr. Curtis has been doing all the operations in major surgery for the Richmond Hospital and enjoys a lucrative practice that extends from the nations capital into various sections of Maryland and Virginia. He has no superior in ability or painstaking methods in this section of the country.

The next meeting of the Association will be held in August 1906 in Philadelphia. Dr. R. Emmett Jones, of Richmond, succeeded to the presidency; and Dr. E. Clarence Howard, of Philadelphia, becomes vice-president, following the custom of choosing the second officer from the place of next meeting. Dr. A. W. Williams, of Chicago, was elected treasurer, and Dr. J. A. Kenny, of Tuskegee, was re-elected secretary.

The social side of the meeting was not less brilliant than the business proceedings. The ladies of the Richmond Hospital gave a magnificent banquet on the first night; on the second the street car company treated the delegates to a free trolly ride through the city and suburbs; and on the third night

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IN WOMAN'S WORLD

BY "DOROTHY."

This column will be devoted to the interests of women. Questions will be cheerfully answered. In order to insure a reply it is necessary to give a pseudonym under which the querist may be answered. The full name and address must also be given This will not, under any circumstances, be published. No answer will be sent by mail unless a stamped envelope is received at this office. Address all communications to Woman's Corner, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

TOMORROW.

I.

Today was tomorrow yesterday;
Tonight tomorrow will pass away;
But when, tomorrow, tomorrow is gone
Another tomorrow will wait to dawn.
And the glow of tomorrow, tomorrow shall spread
O'er the new tomorrow that lies ahead.

II.

Joy is forever beyond somewhere!
Tomorrow is hope and today is care;
The glow of glory spreads out before,
For the glory we grasp is glory no more.
Tomorrow tomorow's joys will be dead.
But a new tomorrow will glean ahead.

S. E. KISER.

THE NEGRO SERVANT PROBLEM.

This problem is becoming quite renown. The white people are complaining of being unable to secure proficient Negro domestic service and the Negroes are lamenting because it is hard for them to secure the services of their own color in the same capacity. In a recent edition of The Record, Washington, D. C., an editorial gives the following: "It is undoubtedly true that it is quite difficult to get domestic service from one Negro for another. Especially is this true as applied to the woman. There is no difficulty to get the sevice of a colored barber, bootblack, waiter, but to get a colored chambermaid or laundress to perform service satisfactorily for the same money as for a white family is extremely rare, but the fact remains. Yet the rule has very many exceptions. We have known those who lived in representative white families to work for their own people and render good service. It largely depends on how colored people treat those who work for them."

One reason why colored women are so against domestic service is that the so-called society leaders of our race will snub the girls that "work out" and place them in an inferior class, no matter how irreproachable their morals may be. The majority of women look forward to recognition in social circles and consequently endeavor to keep all barriers away. White women prefer positions in stores and offices to that of a family servant, positions that are more in keeping with the standard of their ideal social circle, are faithfully sought.

The very same thing is true with the colored woman. Color does not alter the ambition of persons of the same class. Of course the places of employment for our women are few, but they are making the effort to keep clear of that labor that the social world looks upon with disfavor. Then the white employer has no new cause of alarm, it is the same condition of affairs found with their white servants.

It is indeed true, very true that the securing of colored domestic help in colored families depends on the treatment, and knowing how to treat a servant, is not possessed by the majority of colored women. Generally the colored woman employer is also a servant and must have some one to look after her house She considers her help far, far beneath her, and what is the difference? Both must work to live; both are serving in the way they know best. There is but one remedy and that is this: To instill in every mind that all work is honorable when done by honorable people. When it is learned that the occupation does not make the lady or gentleman, and that the only disgrace in performing a service is to do it halfway, then there will be no problem.

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Mrs. S. J. C. Ralph has been appointed by the R. W. G. Chief Delaware James, to fill the office of grand secretary of the Order of Good Samaritans in the State of Maryland, made vacant by the death of Mr. Jacob A. Seaton. The organization is composed largely of women but this is the first time a woman has ever filled that position. Mrs. Ralph was one of the first colored teachers of Baltimore, and is an active member of the Y. W. C. A., the Empty Stocking and Fresh Air Circle, the Rescue Mission of Baltimore for Young Girls, prominent in church, Sunday school and Epworth League work She is a thoroughly proficient woman and understands the work.

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Miss E. B. Delany, who has returned from the foreign mission field in Central Africa attended the forty-eighth meeting of the Colored Indiana Baptist General Assembly, which met at Indianapolis recently. Mrs. Susan Crow, of Terre Haute, State president of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies was also present and made an address.

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A colored people's Blue Book will be published at Chicago soon.

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A woman always have a postscript to her letter, no matter if it is four or twenty-four pages long.

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Indianapolis, Ind., has two colored women compositors, working at the trade. One is employed by The Informer, the other by The Freeman.

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Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, of Richmond Va., the only colored woman ever president of a bank, set up a St. Luke's Order at Cleveland, O., recently.

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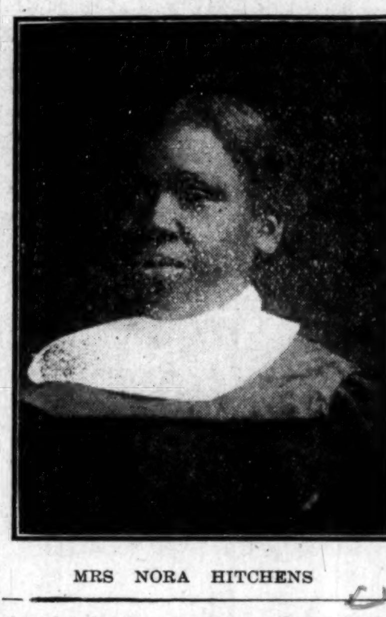
The girl in love has little time for her other troubles.

REPORT OF THE MATRON OF THE ALPHA HOME.

Mr. Editor—As matron of the Alpha Home for nineteen months I beg leave to make a partial report of my work in the home.

Jesus himself set the example of self forgetfulness, for while we read of Him going about doing good we also read the son of man hath no where to lay his head. He also teacheth that no man liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. But few of us in these days of selfishness are willing to admit the truth of these facts, but I cannot think of any place or position in which I could have been placed to have enabled me to show my love for Christ and to work for the good of others than that as matron of the Alpha Home. On coming to the home I found there was a need of religious services in the home, so I, by the help of God and the assistance of Rev. Charles W. Williams and his able corps of local preachers, viz, Barnett, Miller, Farris, Williams, Owens, Carr of the Free Will Baptist church, Rev Green of Antioch Baptist church and Banks, we have been able to have regular services at the home every Sunday. These meetings not only help us spiritually, but have been a little help financially I regret very much that I can not give an accurate account of the money raised during my term of matronship in the home; but, as I always reported the doings of the home and the proceeds of each month to the managers of the home, I failed to reserve for myself an accurate account of the money raised, but I think it would be safe to say that we have realized between six and seven dollars at these meetings, which, of course, is small, but it has been a little help, and means so much to a struggling institution like the Alpha Home. It is, I say, small, but we are taught to despise not the day of small things for God is in the work, and I hope and trust that the time is not far hence when Alpha Home will be an institution that will do honor to the race that it represents. To be matron of this home means general work along all lines, so I, with an assistant, and a little help from one or two of the inmates, did the cooking, washing, keeping the place clean and taking care of the old folks when sick, attending them in death. There has been four deaths and five funerals, there being a corpse in the home when I took charge. We have had from eleven to fourteen inmates and boarders inclusively ever since I have been in the home, and I have gotten along nicely with all the old folks, and I believe I have obtained their kindest regards. While the pay that I have received has been very normal indeed, yet, if I have brought or caused one ray of sunshine to enter their lives of obscurity, then I feel more than paid for I am always happy when I am doing something for the sake of Christ and for the good of others. I have also received over two hundred visitors of this and other cities of both races. We entertained the W. H. M. S. of Simpson M. E. church, and I was instrumental in having the old folks photographed, of which there was 140 made. Of that number I sold four dozen at twenty-five cents each; turned over ten dollars cash to acting president Mrs. Susie Williams; spent two dollars miscellaneously in the home. I gave some six or more away to persons in the market, and I was unfortunate enough to lose ten or more. I was one of a committee to solicit lard and butter for the picnic of 1904, at which time I collected $1 15, out of which I bought twenty three pounds of lard and ten pounds of butter and had $1 90 to turn over to the general committee. I also canned one hundred and seventy-five cans of fruits, jellies, pickles, etc It has been my duty to do general soliciting. I have made a very thorough canvass in the interest of the home as my report will show. I have solicited $280.59 worth of marketing from August, 1904 to August, 1905 The names of the meat donors are Andrew Simmons, Chas. J. Mock, Mrs. Stuckmyer, W. H. Luelleon. Mr. Pillowskor, Sidlinger Co., Reiffel Packing Co., Mr Wickard, H. Anderick, Otto Boetcher, W. Wurster. W. W. Manee, H. C. Gedelmier, W. M. Loire, G. Desciler, Jos. Fisher, W. W. Williams, Joseph Scott, W. F. Whitendoffer, Chas. Cheraron, W. M. Bittrich, H. Blythe, Chas. Cook, M. Merklin, J. S. Scott, Theo. Deitz, Mrs. Woodrunge, P. Brandlin, Joseph Parrent, Calvin Kuhn, E. Overman, W. S. Bain, H. Vollrath, Gibson 343, Gibson 361, Henry Coleman, Thos. Yauger, John Schesla, John Brenner, Dormane Nagelsien.



MRS NORA HITCHENS

The vegetables, poultry, bread and bread donors are Mr. Moore 102, Lagman 126, Schepf 123, Mr. and Mrs. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. Thomas, W. E. York & Co., E. T. Beeler, W. S. Scott, Mr. Barbee, G. W. Gale, George Mills, Chas. Nunn, Mr. Sweat, Mrs. Mary Thompson, Brinkman Co., 141-142, Montani Bros. There were other donors whose names I failed to get.

For the picnic at the Alpha Home, August 17, 1905, the following persons contributed chickens: Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. West, Mr. Bradley. Mrs. McIntire, W. S. Budd, Mrs. Filppins, Mrs. Mary Wilson, Rev. Hunter, Mrs. Thorpe, Mrs. Boneface, Mrs. Merret, Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Scott. one pound of butter and hallon of milk, Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. Warfield, James A. Shelton, Mrs. B. Bridges. Mrs. Lottie Sullivan, Dr. J. H. Ward, Mrs. Sylvira Courtney, Mrs Mary Sullivan, Mrs L. Lucas, Robert Able, Mrs. Lottie Williams, Mrs Smith, Augustus Fleming, Robert Finch, Zela Coleman, Mr. Warren, Mrs. Lash, Mr. Cyrus Allen. Total number 37.

Finances Collected—Dr. Grant Clay, $1 00; Miss Ellen Whitaker, 28c; Mrs. Josie Scott, 50c; Mrs. Stallard, 25; Mrs. Ruby Carr, 25c; Mrs. Thompson, 25c; Mrs. Green, 20c; Henry Ballard, 25c; Mrs. Carey, 25c; Mrs. McGee, 10c; Mrs. R. Weber, 10c; Wm. Artis, 10c; Art Johnson, 10c; Mrs. M. Jackson, 10c; Mrs. M. Thomas, 25c; Mrs. King, 5c; cash, 10c; cash, 10c; Luela Pierce, 10c; Mrs. Yearwood. 10c; Miss Sallie Reed, 25c; cash, 10c; Mrs. H L. Griffith, 25c; Miss A. J. Griffith, 25c; Mrs. Meadows, 50c; Mrs. Fulkerson, 25c; Mrs. M Fletcher, 15c Total $6 18.

Meat Donation—Coffin & Fletcher, 1 boiled ham value $2 20; Reiffel Packing Co., 5 pound pressed ham, 63c; Mrs. Paul, 2 pound lard.

Miscellaneous Donations—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, 3 glasses of jelly and 1 jar of plums; Mrs. Singleton, pies, bread, 25c; Mrs. Lacey, cake and pie, 40c.

Through the generosity of Mr. Thos. Ashley a cement walk was laid at the home at a cost of $20 70 He laid it at his own expense with the promise of subscriptions from others on the same. Among those who have paid their subscription are Clinton Nunn, $2 00; A. Jackson, $1 00; Mr. Twyman, 25c; Mrs. Twyman, 25c; Henry Jackson, 50c.

Mr. Ashley painted the swing and yard benches at a cost of $3 80; also repaired and whitewashed the fences. He was also instrumental in getting two tons of coal donated by Mr. W. M. Eaglesfield & Co.

I, Mrs. Nora Hitchens, tendered my resignation as matron of the Alpha Home August 21, 1905, and will leave soon for Hot Springs, Ark., for a new field of work.

MRS. NORA BITCHENS.

ONE BOTTLE DOES IT.

If your hair is curly or kinky, one bottle of Ford's Original Ozonized Ox Marrow will make it straight, soft and easy to comb so that you can put it up in any style. Read the following letter we received March 31, 1905, from Rhoda Edwards, Calvert, Texas:

"I have used one bottle of Ford's Original Ozonized Ox Marrow and my hair is perfectly straight, soft and black as silk. I will always use it."

Ford's Ox Marrow also cures dandruff and makes the hair grow. Warranted harmless. Send us fifty cents and we will mail you a bottle postpaid. Address Ozonized Ox Marrow Company, 76 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill.

FORTY YEARS A FREEMAN.

The success of the colored business men of Burlington, Iowa, will show the readers of this paper a little of what has been accomplished by the race during their forty years of freedom, Permit me to introduce the King Brothers; Peter and Harry, Burlington's colored expressmen, located at 113 S. Main street, They report their business in splendid condition and on account of its rapid increase, find it will be necessary to put another wagon on the streets in order to handle the work.

Mr. W. E. Worth, Burlington's colored jeweler is located at 409 S. Main street. After finishing his trade about eighteen months ago, Mr. Worth rented his present location and started in business with but little capital. Since that time he has rented and fitted up the store adjoining as a first-class two chair Tonsorial Parlor. The wants of his patrons in this department are looked after by two colored barbers.

Mr. Fate Martin's place, the Equal Rights Saloon and Club Room is located at 315 Front street. Mr. Martin is Burlington's most successful colored business man. He has been in business about three years, owns the building he occupies and a very fine residence at the corner of Fifth and Washington streets. The Freeman's representative called at the home of Mr. Martin and enjoyed a very pleasant hour with Mrs. Martin and the children. Two handsome boys and a girl have come to make home happy for this interesting couple during their six years of married life and the proud father spends every spare moment with his family. Mr. Martin is not altogether satisfied with the saloon business and his wife is also very anxious to have him try something else He is ambitious, intelligent and young and would do credit to his race in any legitimate business.

Mr Thomas Walls, Expressing and Teaming, located at 823 Washington street, in business since 1889, good success.

Mrs. V. Leslie, Burlington's oldest colored rooming and boarding house keeper, 17 years in business located at 909 S. Main street, finds business good.

Mr. S L Tigg letter carrier and dairyman, is one of Burlington's wealthiest colored citizens. His home is located in a suburb of the city, where he owns a large dairy farm stocked with fifty milch cows. Mr. Tigg supplies many of the wealthiest families of the city with pure milk,

Mr. Sanford Gunnell, barber, in business forty years, owns the building he occupies, which is a nice two-story brick with stone front, located in the the business part of the city, at 209 N. 3rd street. Mr. Gunnell is 74 years old and very much discouraged. His son, a very handsome young man about 21 years old, seems to be wayward, which makes the father very uneasy about the future as his business is in a very bad condition.

Mr. Henry Orange has been in the restaurant business but a few weeks and reports his business in good condition and steadily increasing. He is located at 717 S Main street. Mr. Orange is a great lover of his race and highly appreciates the Freeman's efforts in trying to show the public just what the colored business men are doing.

Mr. William Ragland's place, The Black Diamond Saloon and Club, is located at 108 E. Jefferson street. Mr. Ragland has been in business fifteen months. He has a wholesale department where he handles some of the best brands of wines and liquors for the trade. You will read his ad in the Freeman in a few days. He owns a nice home at 519 May avenue, and is negotiating for the purchase of his place of business.

Mr. George Taylor, Teaming, Expressing and General Contractor, is located at 227 S. 3rd street, 23 years of successful business in his line enables Mr. Taylor to report for the benefit of the Freeman readers a neat little bank account to his credit. He wishes the Freeman great success in its undertaking, and desires to read reports of the race's most successful business men.

Mrs. Emma Reed, Boarding and Rooming in business five years, located at 808 Valley street, is having very good success. Mrs. Reed enjoys reading the papers printed by her race and thinks the Freeman's efforts should be appreciated by all colored business men.

Mr. J. F. Brown's Pantitoriums are located at 308 N. 3rd street and 102 Broadway, W. Burlington. Mr. Brown employs four colored men, makes and repairs ladies' and gents' clothing and counts among his patrons many of Burlington's best citizens. He is about 25 years old, started to learn tailor trade about eight years ago and has worked his way up step by step. He opened business for himself about three years ago; today he owns the best business of its kind in the city of Burlington.

Mrs. Martha Turner's restaurant is located at 311 Front street. She has been in business about a year and reports a fairly good trade. Mrs. Turner neither reads nor writes.

The next article under this head, which is the last for Burlington, Iowa, will be the churches, the social and industrial condition of the people.

Present address:

GEORGE H. JONES,
100 N. Main street, Burlington, Ia.

COLUMBIA, TENN.

A large number of people were here last Saturday and Sunday a week ago, from various points, attending the Baptist association.—The public meeting which the Y. M. C. A. holds every Sunday at various churches continues to interest the people.—The infant child of Mrs Grace Fuerson died Aug 30th on East Hill.—The Columbia public school has been beautifully painted. The interior presents a very attractive appearance. The chapel and the principal's office add much to the beauty of the school. A large number of pupils were enrolled on the opening day.—An ice cream supper was given at the Mt Lebanon Baptist church Aug. 31st.—Mr. and Mrs. T. H, Birdsong spent a few days of last week in the country as the guest of Miss Gertrude Lawrence.—Wm. Davis who is spending his vacation in Columbia is a staunch subscriber of the Freeman.—Dr. M. B. Williams, the well-known dentist of our city is doing a lucrative business at his office on Main street.—Don't forget the colored fair Sept. 18-19.—Miss Daisy Hunter has returned to Nashville after a pleasant visit to Miss Leila Merril.—Mr. Riely England is up again.—Miss Mamie Church spent several days with Miss Laura Brown last week.—Rev. "Bob" Estmos, of Nashville, was in the city this week attending the Baptist Association.—Mr. J. P. Street, a well-known business man of this city, contributed several excellent volumes to the Y. M. C. A's library.—The Freeman continues to please the Columbia people.

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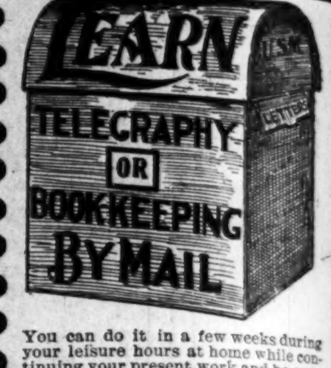

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A FEW WORDS ABOUT MODERN HOTELS.

The Ever Existence of the Amiplan and Trials of its Headwaiters—Matters Sifted Down on the a la Carte—Points on Kickers, Etc.

BY W E. TUCKER.

[Concluded from last week.]

Alluding merely to the patrons' ways and actions when in the dining room, which may be termed "dining room character of guests," I can say that close observance has taught me that in the midst of those who frequent good hotels, we have five classes to deal with, viz: First, class; second, the justifiable kicker; third, the sponger; fourth, the irregular kicker; fifth, chronic, or natural born kicker, known in the office as a crank, and in the dining room as a sore head.

The guest that is rated in the dining room as first class rarely complains, and never fusses or quarrels with a waiter. The justifiable kicker complains when due good and timely service and politeness are not shown him, or on the poor article of food and its preparation. The sponger is the greedy person who always imagines he is not getting his money's worth. This class is comparatively small, but must be considered. The sponger is not a frequent kicker, but will order from seven to twelve articles of food, and will eat and mess over it all, sending back for second orders of tasty articles. When quail on toast is served he must have two or three for his breakfast. If this same individual was stopping on the a la carte, how often would he have an appetite for two or three quails on toast, including fruit, cereal, eggs, potatoes, bacon, pot coffee, waffles and milk? I think the immense menus of many commercial amiplan houses should be discarded, but where such extravagant bills must appear head the menu: "These suggestions are merely made for your benefit and the saving of time." The menu is made up of well classified meals. For example, I make these breakfast selections:

1. Fruit and cereal, broiled bacon, country scrambled eggs, French fried potatoes, pot coffee and rolls, waffles and cake with milk ordered by choice.

2. Fruit and cereal, tenderloin steak with three strips of broiled bacon, soft boiled eggs, hash, brown potatoes, toast and coffee.

3 Fruit and cereal, lamb chops, parsley omelette, baked potatoes, rolls and coffee.

4. Broiled fish, broiled ham, side-fried eggs, potatoes in cream, rolls and coffee.

Of course other selections can yet be made. Luncheon and dinner may be coursed in a similar suitable manner, leaving dessert to be ordered at random. This method may be the cause of many guests glancing over the menu and ordering a selection by number with cakes or waffles and milk; otherwise just double that portion may have been ordered After all, fewer things well cooked and well served should better fill the bill.

The irregular kicker will frequently take a side with the sore-head and kick also without any real cause, or he will pick up an egotistic spirit, feeling himself the most important, and uselessly kicking.

W E TUCKER.

The sore-head is the king of kickers! Of course these cranks vary in their kicking qualities, some being worse than others. This type of guest, while a noted kicker, will at times quietly eat his meals; but when in a real kicking spirit, as usual, will kick about the least thing in any hotel he visits They, too, will cause other guests about their table to kick, while the first class man leaves the table in disgust, requesting the headwaiter "never again seat me at the table with that kicker." The kicking character invites the explicit study and close attention of the headwaiter, who must always cater to his whimsical ways not for compensation's sake, for that is rarely expected, but because they can give him lots of trouble, including many hard knocks at the office. In the event of all cases, if the good and experienced man behind the desk would study the expression and countenance of the kicker as he expresses himself, the office would know just how much weight to give his complaint. These cranks in particular are the ones the headwaiter must be able to spot and watch.

Having paid so much notice to the whimsical class of guest, I feel able to give just a bit of information of how they may be characterized, while I can far better pick them out. The man with round and full face, head comparatively flat on top, is likely to be troublesome. So is the man with a square forehead. The man with long eyebrows has his peculiarities, as is the case with the man who wears his hair long and combs it straight back from side and top without a part. Others can be spotted as they show up by their inexplicably queer looks, ways and actions For instance: When he approaches the hat rack and the hat man reaches in politeness for his hat, he refuses to allow him to touch it and remarks: "I will put it here myself where I can get it—don't you move it." Another will hesitatingly give the hat man his hat and will stand and see where he lays or hangs it. Another will submit to the hat man's performance and enter the door, walking leisurely, drifting along the aisle, looking the room over, with the idea of selecting his own seat. His choice is generally some private table. Being told this by the headwaiter and given another table, he begins kicking and keeps it up throughout the meal. An explanation by the headwaiter is useless. I find it best, if possible, not to allow these people to drift on you, but at once salute them politely with the remark: "Step forward," and move off before he can get his mind together for objections, and then you've got him going.

Another will agree at the hat rack and will recognize the headwaiter and is shown to a seat. Seemingly it arises in him that he has been bossed and led far enough. In fact such people have said to me: "I don't like to be told where to sit; I will sit any d— place!" He readily raises objections: "I don't like that waiter's looks; the cloth is not fresh; I can't see well enough here." With one of these points he asks: "How about over here?" selecting his seat at another table, and, if possible, he is favored. As these men's looks, ways and actions betray them to the headwaiter he will put the waiter wise by signs known among the staff. There, too, is a guest to come, and after he is shown a table he will ask for the observable end seat and also ask that two or three chairs be saved for friends coming. These friends never show up; it is merely a scheme of his to practically monopolize the table and the time of a waiter. There are many other characteristic points about the kicker that strict attention will doubtless bring to notice.

One not familiar with the prevailing ins and outs of the dining room may not acquiesce in my opinion, yet I think that the headwaiter in every hotel of note should be known by name to most of its guests. Some guests will inquire of the waiter for his name, while others will frequent the house and never know his name. Once a guest calls the headwaiter by his name the latter will learn his if he be a constant visitor. To be able to recognize one by name in the dining room tends to create likeliness and influence, bringing about a decided change of affairs. For this worthy cause I know of no better medium of introductory than to print on the margin of the carte du jour: "If wine is wanted call 'Oscar.' the headwaiter." "If private table wanted for invited guest see ——, the headwaiter."

The most successful and widely known headwaiter of this land is Mr. Oscar Tschirky of the Waldorf, who is recognized as 'Oscar" (and rumors have it that he doesn't like to be called Mr)

The tipping problem is one of the most talkable themes to-day of the fraternity and the public. It is waste of space to speak of the known efforts and and events from time to time directed to find a remedy for this question This problem is now an issue in State bills, yet tipping goes on. I may be censured for my narrow views on this subject; even so, I think sufficient wages for the living support of himself and family should be paid to a waiter and the no-tip rule emphatically enforced. The waiter having no live ones to look for will fall into the habit of serving all guests well, and a burden is removed from the headwaiter, who now endeavors to have all patrons satisfactorily served.

As wages now stand in most hotels, evidently it is expected for waiters to be tipped, and the practical waiter deserves a fee in many cases. Where a waiter displays little or no interest in getting up an order, and allows a guest to ask for a napkin, glass of warter, spoon and other articles necessary to make good service, he should never be tipped, and the cause should be explained to him by the guest or headwaiter.

In operating a hotel vital importance lies in the staff organization, i. e the head of each department must be competent and reliable. They, too, should work agreeably together for the real interests of the house; more especially should this be the case of the steward, chef de cuisine and the headwaiter, who are in a position to make or break. These important heads should have full power to organize their crews. It must be borne in mind that there is no risk of loss to run in giving a practical headwaiter his due privileges to control his staff which he has engaged. Non tipping guests are to be served just as well as the live ones. Indecent habits are not to be tolerated. Intoxicated waiters are not fit to serve guests. A neat appearance and unvarying politeness are expected of all waiters. In fact everything that goes to constitute good service and discipline must be considered, and the headwaiter, who is directly responsible, is the one able to see all this; and to acquire the very best results he must be the disciplinarian of power. When a waiter is in the culinary department he is aware that he is under the jurisdiction of the eagle-eyed steward, who will charge him for his misdemeanor, and when one becomes obnoxious he will be discharged.

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How many parents study what their children should eat. Many cases of constipation are caused by wrong food. A gentleman, the publisher of a well-known magazine, came into my office the other day and in speaking of these matters said: "Our little girl was badly constipated. We finally took her to a well-known Sanitarium and they told us that the breakfast foods we had been using were to a considerable extent the cause. We tried several of those recommended by the doctor at the Sanitarium, but the child didn't like them, although she improved somewhat in health. She always was fonder of Malta-Vita than any other breakfast food so we got her that. She enjoyed it and after using it a short time she was completely rid of the trouble."

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NOTHING COMES TO HIM WHO WAITS.

It is neither wise nor good policy to fold your arms and wait on Providence, believing that "All things come to him who waits." This philosophy is true in just proportion to the effort put forth to attain an object or the gratification of desire When attention is attracted to a new hotel proposition, either planned or building, our interest centers in its completion and opening. The one question of importance naturally arising out of such an enterprise is, "Who will be the waiters?" Attention and interest is intensified to desire, and in this positive mental attitude we are only anxious to secure employment in this new hotel, for in all probabilities it will be the finest in the city, and the commercial trade will naturally go that way. We have many such notable examples. While we are interested and desire to secure positions for ourselves and our fellow-waiters we stand passively and watch the progress in building, furnishing and opening, and only at this last stage do we awake to realize that a good opportunity has slipped from our grasp. The hotel is opened midst splendor and magnificent furnishings, and local papers are filled with cuts and items of praise, and, after recounting its conception and creation, it stops to pay special credit to the different departments and their management. The one item in this particular of interest to us is the culinary department and the dining room. What surprises await you! You suddenly realize the truth that no effort was made to secure positions for colored waiters, or possibly the proprietors have formed conclusions regarding the competency of colored men through the "pestilence" of some incompetent man who served him at some hotel where he stopped, and whose only pretense to experience is that of a captain of a watch or headwaiter in some "beanery." The proprietors hesitate to give a confirmatory answer to this individual, and this hesitancy is interpreted as meaning "you will be our headwaiter." False statements are soon current, and prevail until a few days or weeks before the opening when you behold that only white help will be engaged. The evidence is that nothing comes "to him who waits" without effort. What should be done in such a case? How should effort be put forth? This question is an open one to all who wish to reply, treat the subject fearlessly, but with fairness and honesty with an object to improve both the man and the opportunity.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

The American Jubilee Singers left the 10th of this month for Peoria, Ill. for a week's engagement. Miss Mayme Harris of Maysville is in the city and it is probable she will accompany the singers to Peoria. Miss Harris is a very artistic performer on the piano and possesses a fine voice. When at home she gives piano lessons and has sixteen pupils.—Miss Lottie Gee who has been ill with rheumatism, is able to be out again. We hope she will continue to improve so as to be able to fill her place with the Jubilee Singers.—Mr. C. Morris, husband of Mary Morris, was buried from Allen Temple at 1:00 p. m. Sunday. He was ill only a few hours before death claimed him from his trouble. He leaves many friends to mourn his loss.—Mrs. George and Mrs. Bertram Roots and Miss Lizzie Hatch and nephew have returned home after three week's pleasure in Lawrence, Mich, and Chicago, Ill.—Mrs. W. P. Dabney is home again. Her visit was through the East and Detroit, Mich.—Friday eve was a glorious eve to many. There was a reception in honor of Rev. I. N. Ross. On the committee were some very earnest workers.

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"THE HINDERED HAND."

Sutton Griggs is the author of a book with the above title, put out by the Orion Publishing Company of Nashville, Tenn. It deals with race conditions in the South. It does the unusual thing of telling much that you already know, but in such a manner as cannot fail to hold the interest of the reader. But the book is intended for the eyes of those who are not familiar with conditions as they exist, and to such it tells a terrible story. Men grow so accustomed to injustice and wrong that they take little notice of it. The soldier on the field sleeps peacefully when surrounded by danger and misery. If this little volume should be read by the Anglo-Saxon it would stir him to a wakefulness of conditions as they are. This is undoubtedly the purpose of the author and he has made a commendable effort in that direction

The worst feature of the whole book is its truth, and it is because of this that the "represionists" are sure to condemn it. The picture made in the mind of the burning of Bud and Foresta is such that it cannot soon be forgotten, and yet it is here given as no more revolting and barbarous than we have read from press dispatches quite recently. Finding such things in a book makes it seem like a story from some of the cannibal islands instead of events frequently occurring in this so-called land of liberty.

Ensal Elwood is the hero and Tiara Merlow the heroine. These two characters are the principal actors in the interesting romance which aids in bringing to light astounding and astonishing conditions as they exist in the South. Yet, in spite of these conditions, the author injects an element of hopefulness not to be found in many books written by colored men. He makes it clear that not all of the white South is in sympathy with the "repressionists" who seem bent on robbing the race of every vestage of human rights. He affirms that these only appear to be in the majority because of their activity and bitterness. He believes that there is a vast number who, on the contrary, feel no race hatred and would accord the black man all of his citizen and manhood rights. It is upon these latter that devolves the duty of redeeming the South from its own disgrace and political isolation. It is hoped that the book will be widely read, for it deserves that and more.

WASHINGTON'S FRIENDS?

The Indianapolis World asks the very pertinent question—"Who are Mr. Washington's friends?" There is no man who has made friends more rapidly during the past few years than Mr. Washington. We have often thought of him as a good example with which to show the dangers of prominence. When a man is but an "ordinary man," so far as standing goes, people are honest with him. There is then no cause for fawning or artificial manifestations of interest in his affairs. Once he succeeds and is given popular acclaim and at once there spring into being a host of "supporters." Not only are there among these "supporters' those who have heretofore shown no interest whatever in the man and his affairs, but there are among them those who have time and again condemned the man and his undertakings. Nothing was too bad to say, no motive too low to impute. We knw of no one who suffers more from this "following" than does Mr. Washington. Here it is that prominence begets its dangers. Such a man must be constantly on the alert or else do injury to himself and his cause when he seeks only for betterment. That he should be easily deceived is not at all strange. He is excusable for judging from appearances for these are his only guides. It is next to impossible for him to "break loose" from these "supporters." Wherever he is there are they also. Magnify this and it may be seen how it is easy for the bureauocracy to keep the Czar ignorant of things he ought to know. Silence is often kept through the fear of being charged with jealousy, which is too often a truth and so the deception is allowed to continue.

We have depended on Mr. Washington's keen perception to defend him from those whose interest in him is of the most selfish kind, for they hover near him in order to use his influence for personal gain. They care nothing for him or his cause beyond what may lend a borrowed light to them and be ultimately turned to personal account. In case these lines ever come to the notice of Mr. Washington we would suggest that he ponder them and be less influenced by those whose glow is only the borrowed light which comes from their proximity to others through their "pushfulness."

THE EVOLUTION OF SMITH.

There was once a time when it was simply "Elder" Smith, and he was an honest old preacher, too, and in his simple way did good work for his people, always exhorting toward righteousness in his simple, honest way. Then, as time went on, he became "Rev." Smith, and who could deny that "Rev. Smith" sounded better than "Elder Smith?" Then the young man came. It became known simultaneously with his arrival that he had attended some "University" in Kentucky. He had far outgrown the term "Elder" and even the title of "Rev." was entirely too light for such as he, and so it became "Rev. Smith, D. D. But this is a growing age, and the ministry, like other callings, has developed to the point where "Rev." and "D. D." is not sufficiently ponderous to meet our growth, and, besides, they are quite common-place. Our "universities," too, have multiplied and are busy, indeed, is that preacher who has not had the time to remain long enough at one of them to become a 'D D." Some of them must have gone back a second time for now it is no unusual thing to hear of "Rev. Mr. Smith, D. D. Ph. D." Now, what is going to be the next? We confess that we do not know. We are only certain that it will be something, for these Ph. D.'s are multiplying rapidly and it is sure to be but a short time until they, too, become common and something will have to be done. It is only the part of wisdom to provide for the future, and so we will suggest that we could not abuse titles much more than we have already done by just making it "The Very Right Reverend Mr. Smith, D. D., Ph. D."

The principal objection to this would be the difficulty in locating "Mr. Smith," which is the most important thing, after all. But this suggestion, if adopted, would be sufficient to "hold them for awhile."

Yes, Mr. Smith is the important thing. Whatever of consequence is added to "Elder Smith" or "Rev. Smith" must be shown by his own usefulness rather than by prefixes and suffixes. Henry D. Thoreau did not get a title from Harvard because he would not pay the five dollars, which was demanded for the sheepskin. He said it wasn't worth the money. But without titles he has made a name for himself which could not be gained by mere prefix or suffix.

Yes, Elbert Hubbard is right: "Titles are made for people who need them."

TEXAS BAPTISTS.

We have received a copy of the resolutions adopted at a meeting of prominent citizens of Williamsport, Pa., denouncing the alleged action of the Baptist Association for its action concerning the recent burning of Tom Williams. We have also received a letter from Rev. White of Dallas, Texas, who was one of the principal figures at the association meeting and who took a prominent part in that discussion. His letter complains against the recent denunciation by the Ohio M. E. Conference, and declares that the Texas association was greatly misrepresented through press dispatches. We have written Rev. White for a definite statement on just what the association did do, and hope to be able to give our readers the truth about this matter in our next issue. We are certain all those who have read of this would be glad to learn that our Texas brothers have been grossly misrepresented.

"Will you dine with me to day?"

"Well, I don't care if I do."

"Do you think there will be anything said about it?"

"I don't know that its any of their—business."

SONG OF THE MYSTIC.

I walk down the Valley of Silence—
Down the dim, voiceless valley—alone!
And I hear not the fall of a footstep
Around me, save God's and my own;
And the hush of my heart is as holy
As hovers where angels have flown.

Long ago was I weary of voices
Whose music my heart could not win;
Long ago was I weary of noises
That fretted my soul with their din;
Long ago was I weary of places
Where I met but the human—and sin.

I walked in the world with the worldly;
I craved what the world never gave;
And I said: "In the world each ideal,
That shines like a star on life's wave,
Is wrecked on the shores of the real,
And sleeps like a dream in a grave."

And still did I pine for the perfect,
And still found the false with the true;
I sought 'mid the human for heaven,
But caught a mere glimpse of its blue;
And I wept when the clouds of the mortal
Veiled even that glimpse from my view.

And I toiled on, heart-tired of the human;
And I moaned 'mid the mazes of men;
Till I knelt long ago, at an altar
And I heard a voice call me. Since then
I walked down the Valley of Silence
That lies far beyond mortal ken.

Do you ask what I found in the valley?
'Tis my trysting place with the Divine;
And I fell at the feet of the Holy,
And above me a voice said, "Be Mine,"
And there arose from the depths of my spirit
An echo—"My heart shall be Thine."

Do you ask how I live in the Valley?
I weep—and I dream—and I pray,
But my tears are as sweet as the dewdrops
That fall on the roses in May;
And my prayer, like a perfume from censers,
Ascendeth to God night and day.

In the hush of the Valley of Silence
I dream all the songs that I sing;
And the music floats down the dim Valley,
Till each finds a word for a wing,
That to hearts like the dove of the deluge,
A message of peace they may bring.

But far on the deep there are billows
That never shall break on the beach;
And I have heard songs in the silence,
That never shall float into speech;
And I have had dreams in the Valley,
Too lofty for language to reach.

And I have seen thoughts in the Valley—
Ah, me! how my spirit was stirred!
And they wear holy veils on their faces,
Their footsteps can scarcely be heard;
They pass through the valley like virgins,
Too pure for the touch of a word!

Do you ask me the place of the Valley,
Ye hearts that are harrowed by care?
It lieth afar between mountains,
And God and His angels are there;
And one is the dark mount of sorrow,
And one the bright mountain of Prayer!

—Father Ryan.

At the recent christening of the battleship Kansas a bottle of spring water was used from the homestead of John Brown. Shortly after this event some one made the alleged discovery that "John Brown never owned a home in Kansas," and this latter statement went the rounds of the press. If those interested will turn to page 397 of F. B. Sanborn's "Life and Letters of John Brown" they will find the copy of a letter to John Brown by Mr. Phillipps, an ex-Congressman from Kansas, in which he states that "your claim has been jumped," and he asks whether it is desired to contest it. Brown left the claim during those troublesome times and was absent so long that it was occupied by another. So, after all, it was quite possible that the bottle of water came from the "old Kansas homestead of John Brown."

Take the Golden Rule and with it measure Rev. Dixon and Rev. Stagg, and then measure Robert Ingersoll and Thomas Paine. When the Christianity of two preachers does not measure up to that of two infidels there is something wrong. The two infidels are dead, but their influence for good still lives, while the preachers still live, but their influence for good is dead.

But we ask the pardon of these dead for comparing them with these living.

This is about the way they would have it:

Mr. White—"Will you dine with me to-day?"

Mr. Black—"Oh! no, no! I really can not! I am your inferior, and you should not ask me, but since you have done so, I must decline! You see, if I should accept your rash offer all of the "ignorant millions" might rush right into your people's dining rooms and propose to your daughters! I really cannot accept!

We desire to renew our suggestion that reading clubs be formed in all the prominent towns of the State, and that these hold a State meeting next summer. There should then be formed a federation of such clubs and annual meetings held. This would furnish a much needed stimulous to useful reading.

What is worse than a woman gossiper? Why, a man gossiper, of course. Women have acquired a sort of prior claim to it, and it may be partly overlooked in them on this ground—but in a man, never.

Be not deceived—crime is not the thing that that Texas mob was trying to punish. The color of the alleged criminal was the principal incentive.

A well meaning man may have among his accuaintances some who do not wish him well, but when the great mass of those acquaintances stand lined up against him there is something decidedly wrong.

At the beginning of the war we were informed that the Japs were a mongrel race and that they had a strain of Negro blood in their veins. You will not hear that any more.

If civilized people burn a victim who is charged with "attacking" some one, what would savages do with one who was guilty of murder?

It may be all right to condemn a man and at the last moment use his popularity to carry you into favor, but we don't believe it.

Things have come to a pretty pass when a man must ask the advice of a whole country before answering an invitation to dine.

Many a man has lost his opportunity for usefulness through the false notion that he was an orator.

Time is too valuable a commodity to be wasted on the private affairs of other people.

Texas will soon become another name for the place where the Devil stays.

A lie flies along while the truth plods slowly, and on foot.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Third National Bank Doing a Big Business—Negroes Saving Their Earnings.

Last week your representative had the pleasure of doing some business through the Third National bank of Louisville, Ky., located at Fourth and Market streets. On inquiry we found that a host of depositors were colored citizens. Like other national banks it pays 3 per cent on all time deposits and loans money on good security. From the manner in which the Third National bank conducts its business, and the demonstration of the point that there is no prejudice between the business Negro and the white man, quite a large percentage of the colored people are depositing their savings in this bank. The cry of the times is "Save your money and carry a bank account." The Third National bank is one of the oldest banking institutions in Louisville, Ky., and its board of directors are among the oldest and most substantial citizens of the community—men of means and of business integrity. This bank has a massive fireproof vault and a burglar proof safe. Mr. Owen Tyler is president and comes from one of the best known families of the city, who have always been friends to the Negro. By his successful and enterprising qualities he was recently made president and the bank is now recognized as one of the strongest banks in the South. Colored citizens of Louisville and Kentucky who are about to do a banking business, and wishing to do so with a permanent institution, will do well to patronize this establishment. The board of directors consist of the following gentlemen: Hons. June Gayle, Percival Moore, A. V. Thompson, John J. McHenry, A. T. Hert, W. H. Netherland and Owen Tyler, whose names are synonyms for honesty, integrity and commercial sagacity. The report of the Third National bank to the comptroller of the currency, August 25, 1905, was as follows:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 779,457 27
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	639 90
Bonds with U. S. Treasurer	250,000 00
Premium on U S bonds	8,355 00
Other stocks and bonds	273,801 00
Real estate, furniture, fixtures.	28,025 00
Due from banks and trust companies	348,241 00
Redemption fund	10,000 00
Cash	175,238 39
Total.	$1,873,759 12
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	$ 200,000 00
Surplus and undivided profits	12,760 76
Circulation	200,000 00
Deposits	1,460,998 36

Thus can be seen the business transaction of the Third National bank is an open book to the people. Since the failure of the Colored Freedmans' bank the colored people have been suspicious about banking their earnings in savings banks and have thereby lost much of their self-denying qualities which hitherto distinguished them, but have hidden their surplus in old out of the way places and have frequently had their savings of a life time lost by some unforeseen disaster. But with such a substantial institution as the one above referred to, and have been in the field for a number of years handling the savings of the rich and poor alike, confidence has been gradually restored and the Negro is fastly saving and transacting their business with institutions of national reputation and standing The Third National bank solicits your account. Give them your patronage.

C. B. LEWIS.

DANVILLE ILL.

Mrs. Madlyne Thompson (colored) is keeping books for Justice Payton.—Fannie Walker, the only colored girl working in a dry goods store, has resigned to enter school.—Irwin Jackson has gone back to Indianapolis after a short visit with his wife and baby.—Mrs. Williams Hayden and daughters are visiting in Kentucky.—Among the faithful who helped to clean brick at Allen Chapel last Thursday were Mrs. C. O. Wilkinson, Myra Batchman, R. Taylor, Bell Jackson, Barbra Bayles, M. Collins, Emma Hoffman and M. Thomas. Rev. Wilkinson was there and helped by furnishing the brick while the ladies with their hatchets worked until five o'clock.—Miss Malissa Lasters has been in Detroit on a visit.—Will West, who spent several months in Brook, Ind., has returned and is now playing ball with the Unions.—Thos. Jackson brought the Union base ball boys home for one day only last week. They will be gone this time four weeks.—Mrs. Sarah Pollard and little daughters, Cozette and Ethel, of Wichita, Kas., are visiting her sister, Mrs. C. M. Woodford—Get your winter coal from Webster Bros.—Mrs. Minnie Townsley of Chicago and Mrs. Jones of Covington, Ind., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffman last Friday. —Mrs. Callie Vance is home after spending the summer among the northern lakes. —Mrs. James Johnson spent last Sunday in Terre Haute.—Mr. and Mrs. William Parson made a flying trip to Terre Haute last week.—Mrs. Mason, corner Robinson and Leisure streets, wants Bertrans Williams to bring her The Freeman.—Mrs. L. Johnson is visiting in Jacksonville.—Returns of Britt and Nelson fight were received at Stewart Bro.'s saloon.—The Webster Bros. gave two hundred bushels of coal, last week to the ones holding the lucky numbers, John Reeves being first, the other a white man.—Master Rothery Reeves will enter school in the West this year.—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cantrel were in the city last week.—Mrs. Jennie Pinkerston will sleep and serve your meals when you come to Danville—The Colored Woman's Club entertained the Progressive Club of Champaign last Friday afternoon, and at night gave a concert, in which the Progressive Club took part, at the Second Baptist church.—John Jackson, one of Danville's leading business men, recently fell heir to several thousand dollars through the death of his father in Kentucky. Mr. Jackson will go to look after his estate this month.—Miss Eula McKiver has been on the sick list for some time.

TOP O' THE WEEK.

BY CHARLES MARSHALL

Woman leads the world. She used smokeless powder before man thought of trying to invent it.

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If a woman is seen upon the street with a man over once or twice every one speaks of their being engaged.

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Some men are always wanting something they can't get and are always getting something they don't want.

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It's a wise woman that knows how to avoid lending her copper bottom preserve kettle to her neighbors these days.

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The man or woman who will only believe one-half that they hear now-a days generally gets along all right if they happen to select the right half.

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Its a lucky man that can borrow an umbrella and can return that self same umbrella after using it a full day.

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Isn't it peculiar to notice how sweetly a woman can smile at you and at the same time she is wishing you were dead.

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Some men will make a proposition with you that they would dare you to make to them.

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Those persons who will act proud and vain toward you are the very people who have had less than you ever had in your life.

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There is no success so sweet as that achieved by acting contrary to the advice of our knowing friends.

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It seems that if the young colored lad wishes to be well recognized and considered as a human by his own race let him first be recognized by the white race—then you'er it.

Any one in Paducah, Ky., desiring The Freeman can secure same from Misses Lorena and Ruby Greenwell, 627 South Eighth street.

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NEGRO DOCTORS CONFER.

(CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

the local committee gave a rustic reception at Jonesborough, the country seat of Dr. Jones eight miles from Richmond. All of these functions were highly enjoyable. The Richmond physicians proved themselves admirable hosts and the seventh meeting of the National Medical Association will not soon be forgotten.

The delegates to the National Negro Business League have returned, delighted with their successful meeting. They will be tendered a public reception. The echoes the speech reported to have been made by Judge Robert H. Terrell on the "Servant Question" have all died out, and the "tempest in a teapot," raised by certain elements who want the popular Justice ousted, has been given a decent burial by the solid citizens of the District of Columbia. Judge Terrel told some unpalatable truths about Negro domestic service, but the thinking people prefer to move for a correction of the evils complained of rather than to excoriate an honest observer who has the courage to point them out.

For the first time in the history of the Government Printing Office, a colored printer has temporarily performed the duties of "make-up," that is, arranging the printed matter in the forms, preparatory to putting it on the press—a most responsible task. The Negro to whom this important work was assigned was Henry P. Slaughter, of Kentucky, employed in the Agricultural branch of the office since 1896. He was at one time foreman of the Star of Zion and is a thoroughly competent workman. His standing in the greatest printing establishment in the world is a flattering testimonial to the efficiency of the Negro printing office as a training school for Negro printers.

The Post Office Department has located a branch post office in the pharmacy conducted by Gray and Gray in the True Reformers' Building, 12th and U streets northwest. This is a most convenient point, and the pharmacy itself is one of the finest in the city, regardless of color.

It is rumored that Col. Edward E. Cooper has been appointed to a special agency in the Department of Commerce and Labor. For some time, the ex-editor of the Colored American has been acting as Washington correspondent of the New York Age.

The action of the National Afro-American Council at Detroit in recalling Bishop Alexander Walters to the presidency is in accord with the eternal fitness of things. No stronger man could have been chosen. He has the confidence of all classes of people, and they will really more enthusiastically under the Council's banner now that he is again at the helm. The list of officers and heads of bureaus comprise the most representative men and women in the country. The Council has the advantage of being a body that "does things," and refuses to be content with issuing a rhetorical address and adjourning sine die. It will carry the questions of disfranchisement, Jim Crow cars and other unspeakable discriminations to the court of last resort. It believes in the doctrine of self-help—and what is more to the point—it practices what it preaches.

If a colored attorney is to be appointed assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, no better selection than Lawyer James A. Cobb could be named.

It is understood that the office of United States Stamp Agent, occupied by Hon. John P. Green, will not be abolished until the end of the present fiscal year, when the appropriation for its maintenance will have been exhausted,

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Mr. R. W. Thompson, the general Correspondent for a large section of the Negro press, was in the city a few days ago, circulating among old friends. He is now located at New Albany, Ind., and is connected with the Quartermaster's Division of the War Department at Jeffersonville During Mr. Thompson's stay here he was shown numerous social courtesies by Register J. W. Lyons, Recorder J. C. Dancy, Justice R. H. Terrell, Ex-Congressman George H. White, Prof. and Mrs. Jesse Lawson, Dr. and Mrs. Henry L. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Slaughter, Assistant Register C. F. Adams, and Messers. W. T. Menard, Ira T. Bryant, Dr. E. W. Lampton, L. M. Hershaw, D. L. Brooks, W. L Houston and John H. Wills.

Mrs. A. J. Cooper, has "downed" the enemies who have been relentlessly pursuing her for the past two years, and retains her position as principal of the M street High School, for which she is superbly fitted. The School Board would act wisely if it dispensed with the services with the factions that do nothing but stir up strife in this school. The unholy ambition of one or two bumptious individuals is responsible for all the trouble, and the institution would be better off without them.

KENNETH RIED.

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The Stage

One of the most popular places of amusement in Dayton, O., is Mallory's Amusement Hall, in South Lndlow street, owned by genial Robert Mallory. The first grand ball was given September 14.

Notes from the Sheltons.—We have been featuring with the Texas Wild West Show and are doing nicely. We are the only colored team with the company. We would like to hear from the Holmans and William Halback.

William Robinson and Howard Carr are making preparations for the rehearsal of a feature act in magic. The stage settings will be beautiful, and the act, which is all comedy will be one of the most popular of its kind.

Logan Zantola writes from North Yakimia, Wash. "Dear Old Reliable.—You have not heard from me for some time, but have not forgotten you. I am doing fine with my new Aerial Bicycle act. Regards to all,"

W. H. Smith, manager of the popular Pekin at Chicago writes that they are turning them away nightly: something wonderful. They have more new costumes and opened Monday night with three new numbers.

The London correspondent of the Clipper writes that "In Dahomey," with Avery & Hart as the stars, has been doing a big business in the London suburbs. Many think the production superior to the original one in this country.

Al. H. Young, cat on the wire, will be seen this season with Georgia Camp Meeting Company, doing a double slack wire act with his brother; the only act of its kind in the Negro profession, two people on one single wire. Louis Moore, the celebrated baritone is also with them.

The Stahl Bros., William and Goodloe, in their original comedy sketch, "If You Have Got Any Money I Will Tell You Some More," are cleaning up along the line. They are with the New Orleans Minstrels. They send regards to friends and would like to know the whereabouts of "Kid" Wilson.

Frank Sutton, of the Golden Gate Quintet, writes: "We closed our pleasant and successful engagements of Summer parks at Rye Beach, N. Y., September 4, and opened in vaudeville September 11, at Proctor's Troy house. We are booked until next May and then we will take a trip across the 'pond,' to fill ten weeks."

Mattie Wilkes closed August 26, a two months' engagement at the Coliseum, London, Eng, After a week at the Ardwick Empire she made a continental tour, opening at Antwerp for two weeksr After a month at the Casino, Paris, she went to Amsterdam for a fortnight. November 6 she opens at the Tivoli, London for a month's stay.

Mamie Anderson is contemplating returning to the vaudeville stage, after an absence of three years, joining her husband, Al. Anderson, of the present team of Anderson & Goines. Mrs. Anderson has entirely recovered her health and the act will hereafter be styled Al. and Mamie Anderson, J. H. Goines and company, in a comedy skit, "Lady Africa."

The Brewers, John and Maud and F. R. McAdoo sailed August 6, on the Mariposa for Papeeta Tahiti, South Sea Islands. Our show opened August 27, Hall of Justice. This is entirely a French Colony. The only difference there is, we can't speak french but we can speak the native language. They would like to hear from Hilliard Brewer: will send ticket immediately.

Notes of Williams & Stevens' Richest Coon in Georgia.—We played Moyie, B. C. to a good business. In Cramback we played against the Arnold Circus, but we did the business just the same. Although we carry no band the people knew the big show was in town and turned out in droves. Mrs. Gertie Watkins is ill. E. C. Harris is again on his feet and at his post. The show is in good shape. Our regards to all. The Freeman will catch us.

Notes from Nichols Ragtime Opera Company.—The company continues to make a hit everywhere. Simon Jones is making it hot for all, with his rough and tumble song and dance. Harry Robinson is cleaning up with "Good Morning to All." John Wilson is making a hit with "Shame on You," and Charles Smith with "In the Valley." Ray Edwards and Hamper Harper are doing their part. P. R. Timmons of the Glen Cornet Band sends regards to all friends.

Ed. C. Price, of the Two Jolly Prices, was badly hurt in a street car wreck, September 1. and on September 4 both Mr. and Mrs. Price were so badly hurt that they are unable to work and will be confined to their beds for some time. The first accident was caused by the car jumping the track and the second one was from a collision. There were 63 people on the car at the time and a number of colored people were injured. Mr. and Mrs. Price are being well cared for by C. H. Douglass at his new Hotel Comfort, 657 Poplar street Macon, Ga.

Frank Mallory, of Mallory Bros, Brooks & Halliday, sends the following: We opened in New York City, two weeks ago and our act went fine. I saw all the profession including the Williams & Walker Company, Ernest Hogan Company and the Smart Set. They were all rehearsing at the time and I think they will all have good shows this season. However we will all hear from them later. We are booked solid until March in the largest Eastern Vaudeville houses, with six weeks in New York City. We have an offer to go to Europe, but have not decided as yet. Will let you know if we do."

The Ferguson's Dixie Jubilee Concert Company, who so highly pleased and thoroughly delighted their audiences, during their five weeks' stay at the Greenfield Ind. Chautauqua, were royally entertained by some of Greenfield's best colored people, at the home of Mrs. Retta Curry, Miss Ota Merida and by Messrs. and Neal. Interspersed with these the ladies were given delightful drives throughout the city and the suburbs. The following persons compose the company: W. C. Buckner, basso and manager; Mrs. Neale G. Buckner, soprano; Miss Bell E. Hocker, contralto; Robert Moore, 1st. tenor; George C. Hall, 2d tenor; Arthur Willoughby, baritone; Miss Nora Douglass, pianist.

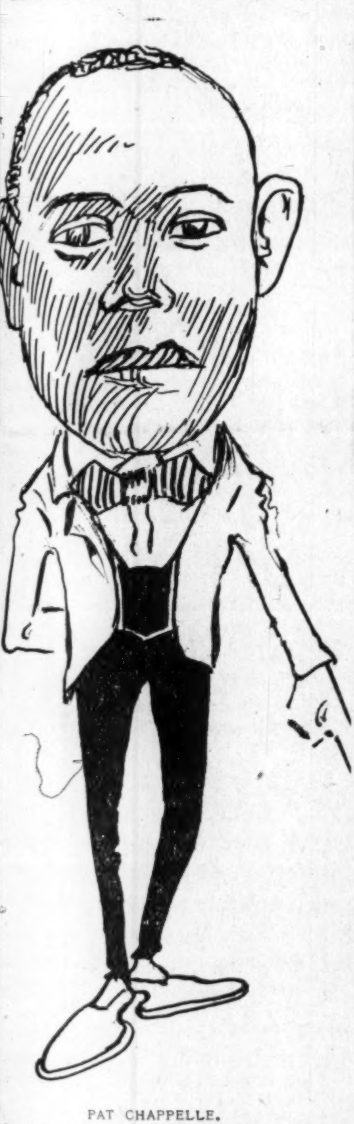
George W. Quine, Manager of the New Orleans Minstrels writes that they are doing an excellent business through the Carolinas.

The Payton Trio is still with Captain W. D Ament's show and have two or three weeks more. They would like to hear from Frank Mahara Company.

Johnny W. Carson, The Freeman representative with the Wallace Circus, accompanied by Arthur Wollege, better known as "Rags" were Freeman visitors Saturday.

Lash Gideon will be in advance of "A Hot Time in Coontown." Lash is well known in the profession as manager of the Nashville Students.

THE FREEMAN'S GALLERY.



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GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

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Armstrong, Roy
Bennett, F C
Bifoan, O Y
Blue, Prof W
Barnes, H G
Collins W E
Desdune, D P
Foster, Chas B
Fleming, C R
Gant, R H
Garland, Will
Gold Dust Twins Co
Houseley, Beverley 3
Looney, E J
Lane, H S
Lacey, W R
Logan, Tom
Larose, C Adams
Mulligan, J
McDade, Geo (2)
Rhoan, Geo
Rhone, G B
Reeves, The
Robinson, W A
Stafford, Edward
Shields, W
Smith, H S
Swan, Geo A
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Al E. Holman's Serenaders—Folies, Manager—Paris, France, Aug. 1 to Sept. 30; Parisiana, Oct. 1 to 31; Nederlausch, Panoticum Amsterdam, Holland, Nov. 1 to 30.

A QUIET EVENING WITH JESSE SHIPP.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

There was no wait or intermission when I called on Jesse A. Shipp, actor, playwright, stage manager and producer, at his 134th street home, one hot day last August. Mr. Shipp lives in the choicest location of all the big actors in New York in a flat cosily situated on the first floor One touch of the electric button brought a very polite lady member of a few choice relatives that surround him, to the door. "Is Mr. Shipp in?" I asked cautiously. "Certainly." was the reply and then I was right at the parlor door.

The flat is small and the parlor and library answer as one. Enshrouded in a long thick dressing gown seated at his desk, I beheld the second master of Negro drama putting the finishing touches on the manuscript of his new comedy, "Abyssinia' in which Williams & Walker are to star this season. With eyes that sparkle with wit at the impulses of his ambition and penetrate with telling force the object of their direction, Jesse A. Shipp is quite the brightest personage in the company of which he is a member. Mr. Shipp who ranks second in importance among the best educated and brightest actors of his race, has been less heralded and talked about than any other actor of his ability. I made no effort to interview him. He talked a plenty. It was just a social call and one I would not have missed for a solid gold dollar. When the now most interesting playwright of his race, assured me that I was not intruding upon his time, I sunk deep and buried myself comfortably in the softest easy chair in the room.

Meanwhile, Jesse, as we associates call him, continued to talk of one thing and another, for he talks incessantly without tiring or even growing tiresome, until he reached the point that interested me the most, the drama. You know before interviewing Mr. Shipp, I was sure he is crazy on drama. I found I was correct, so I told him I did not like the first act of "Dahomey" when it had its first run at the New York Theatre on Broadway. I re-iterated what I had written at that time in my criticism in The Freeman, that the first act was too melo-dramatic. I told him that when the company had returned to New York from Europe and opened at the Grand Opera House, the change in the first act from drama to comedy was just perfect.

As quick as a flash and with eyes, did you ever see Jesse Sihpp's eyes? The brightest eyes you ever saw that illuminate the soul and body of a little fellow, of a man who would not otherwise be goodlooking. As quick as a flash with an electric glare I can hardly forget, he related to me how he can change drama to comedy. "If it doesn't suit," said he, "I can change it to comedy." To this I made no reply, I only sighed and thought to myself, alas, it's too true Jesse Shipp loves the drama. I further thought about how if I should see a little too much drama in the new play, I will have to say so and then he can change it to comedy. This he has the ability to do very successfully. Mr. Shipp constructs his comedies on the drama. It is his love for dramatic art that makes him a successful playwright. He is the best colored love maker in comedy. It is his prolific workmanship that successfully changes a plain dramatic situation to comedy.

By this time the dusky shadows of nightfall had cast its gloom over Harlam. It was six o'clock and we were called to supper. The little dining room was crowded. Charles Moore, the singer, six feet tall, Jesse and myself completed the list. After Mr. Shipp had politely introduced me to his mother, I proceeded to devour the tenderest cut of a porterhouse steak that retails at eighty cents per pound. This was topped off with ice cream, etc., and supper was over. Back into the parlor studio we went to read over some lyrics by Alex Rogers which showed him to be a clever boy. My attention was next called to two handsome photographs, one of Seymour Hicks, the English actor, who is a close friend of Mr. Shipp, and also Mr. Hicks' wife, Ellaline Terrass. At this point I took the lovely opportunity of securing the best Jesse Shipp picture in the house which will be seen, if nothing happens, in my new illustrated history of colored actors, to be issued in about one year.

I was greatly amused when Jesse related to me how Jules Hurtig brought him two white playwrights to fix up "Dahomey" for Europe. He said he would not let them alter the play so the white playwrights agreed with him and left. I might say here that white playwrights can never improve a Negro play. Mr. Shipp has told me how the "Dahomey" company was commanded to appear before King Edward of England on its merits. It was the King's desire to see Williams & Walker and not the efforts of any managers as their efforts in that direction would be fruitless. The King, he said, was positively present at the performance. Mr. Shipp also showed me many relics which he had accumulated on his trip abroad and also a valuable present the Williams & Walker company had given him in appreciation of his stage management. He also has a Chinese dog, excepting his color, would be taken for a fox.

There was but one pathetic scene in my interview and that was when Mr. Shipp related how when news of the death of Richard Connor, the tenor singer who was shot at Minneapolis, Minn., was received at Pittsburg. He had to keep it from the company before the performance. But Miss Odessa Warren I think he said, had unknown to him received a telegram stating Connor's death. This sudden news so affected the girls of the chorus that the curtain had to be rung down. Before taking my departure, I met with an accident. I knocked over a movable gas lamp and broke the shade. I excused myself but Jesse consoled me by saying that the lamp needed a new shade to make the light brighter. I relate this to construe that our conference was the cause for greater light In quality, education and intelligence, Mr. Shipp is one of a few of the highest rank of actors of his race, and I assure you I was loath to part and say good night. On my depature he presented me with a briar wood cane, he had brought over from Scotland.

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O, those old times that used to be.

But where's the chums we use to know'
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O kind faith reveal to me
Those old times that used to be!

But where's the sweetheart with her fears?
And where's the dear home old in years?
How I'd joy just to see
Those old times that used to be.

—CHARLES MARSHALL.

INDIANAPOLIS PLAY HOUSES.

The "New Century Girls" burlesquers will be the attraction at the Empire next week. The "Merry Maidens' have made a record for receipts at thi popular house this week.

That everybody goes to the Park theatre was thoroughly demonstrated this week by crowds that were turned away at each performance this week. Hanlon's "Fantasma" was the offering. Next week, "The Funny Mr. Dooley" and "A Wife's Secret."

Notes from the Famous Billy Kersands Minstrels.—Our success is phenominal, Rain, heat or any inclement weather, big jumps and late arrivals only seem to aid it financially. J. W. Mobley, trombonist, Amos Gilliard and Tack Crossen, artists in the same line, are members of the company and Prof Lacy's Great Band and are proving wonderful adjuncts. They send regards to all. The Campbell Bros. wish to hear from Bennie Covington. The entire company sends regards to the Houseley Bros. and Mr. Motts, the grand originator and owner of the only Pekin. H. S. Wooten closed in Anadarks, I. T., and went to New York.

Notes from Dr. Ferdon's Quaker Medicine Company—We are again in Iowa in the beautiful city of Burlington. We are doing a very good business considering the weather. It has been very cold here for this time of the year. A. A. Copeland went to Chicago last week on a business trip. He reports everybody well and looking good Mr. Copeland is making good every night singing, "Take It Right Up," "Crazy 'Bout It," "Sally Ann" and "Tammany." We are expecting to go into rehearsals every week for our winter show which should have been ready but on account of so much business, it has not been finished. The book is by Dr. James Ferdon, music by F. B. Wood and George Bryant. L. E. Gideon has been sent to Chicago to look out for the booking of the new show.

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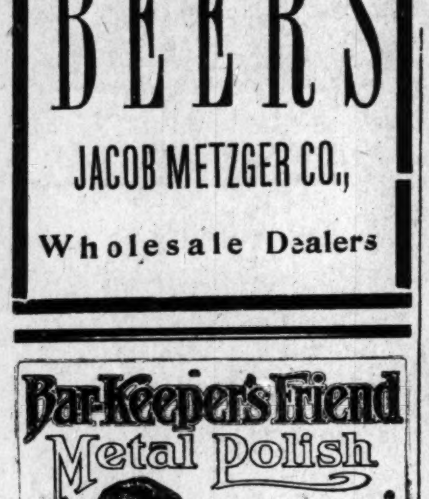
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then smiled and tried to shake her head. "I—not—tell."

They dragged her roughly up again, but her legs would not support her. She seemed not to hear Jarrat's shouted question in her ear. He looked at her swaying figure a moment, then in a smother of rage raised his pistol butt and brought it down heavily on her temple. She fell like a log, and he turned on his heel, cursing.

"Let the drab go," he said sullenly, "and bring along the other."

They mounted, a trooper hitching bridles with Armand's horse, and as Jarrat gave the word they moved off in twos down the dark drive. The light from the open door fell on the trampled shrubbery, the glossy spattered skins of the horses and on Armand's backward turned face.

"Farewell, mademoiselle."

Anne slipped from the colonel's arms and sped after them. "Louis!" she called clearly. "Remember! I believe! I trust—and—I love you!"

"God keep you always!" he responded, and as they swept into the black she saw Jarrat ride close and strike him across the mouth with his gloved hand.

CHAPTER XIV.

PHILADELPHIA city a little before midsummer, 1776. The old Quaker quiet is gone. Now a strange spirit of excitement pervades it, a subtle electricity that touches all things with expectancy.

The inns, the Black Boar and Indian Queen and the London Coffee House, dilate with taproom wiseacres, and crowds of townfolk loiter along the streets in the warm evenings to view the great men come to attend the most honorable congress sitting in the statehouse. They have seen the Charlestown packet bring the delegates from South Carolina. Every citizen who can muster a horse has ridden out to meet the delegates from Virginia, Maryland and Delaware who arrived in a body. They have seen them all, have compared them with one another.

On High street stands the great mansion of Richard Penn, one of the proprietaries. It is now thrown open for the entertainment of the visitors.

Up and down the dusty street pass and repass earnest men in dull coats and small clothes, workmen in oznabrig and leather aprons and tradesmen in coarse cloth. They pause in knots on the pave and talk, each by his kind.

One house they pass many times, looking at it with more eager curiosity and concern. This building is even less pretentious than its fellows, but one who observes it long will have noted that those who pass in and out of its door lend it a peculiar distinction. They come in velvet instead of cloth, their sleeves droop with lace. They wear powdered hair and diamond buckles and for the most part carry dress swords.

The house is occupied as a shop, and the silver plate on the door bears the name of "James Randolph." It is the headquarters of the Virginia delegations.

To Henry, chafing in his Virginia harness, how slowly the ball had rolled among the conventions! How halting went the leaders! Messengers riding posthaste brought him the news from Philadelphia.

Congress had recommended that the several colonies form distinct governments for themselves. And even to this the delegates of New York and Pennsylvania had loud objection. Henry gnashed his teeth in the convention at Williamsburg, and on May 15 a resolution was passed directing the Virginia delegates in Philadelphia to "declare the united colonies free and independent states."

A significant word! Richard Henry Lee followed in June with his resolution for independence.

But alas for human failing! Many of the delegates, Dickinson, Morris, Livingston, were men of property, and the possession of property enlarges the bump of caution. They cried for delay. The older Quakers, men of peace, had set their faces and their faith against rebellion.

New York was milk and water. There had been the failure of the Canadian expedition, and, besides, the province had its exposed harbor and the Indian raids on its frontier to think of. The Pennsylvania delegation refused to vote on separation and left their seats in anger. Maryland had few grievances.

And what of New Jersey? There was Toryism intrenched. Its royal governor, the son of the benevolent faced patriot, Benjamin Franklin, went breathing fire against the Whigs. Not till he had been shipped to Connecticut in irons, not till congress had sent three of its members to argue, to plead, to storm, did its assembly declare for freedom.

Think not that those who hesitated were not men of honor, jealous for the welfare of their country. Not every one believed George III. another such despot as Philip II. of Spain or the bloody minded man the radicals illiberally called him. The storm was high on the horizon. And it is the part of wisdom to count well the cost of desperate ventures. Against the colonies was pitted the mistress of the seas—a king, innumerable battalions, armament, navies, money and the prestige of hereditary possession. The colonies stood alone.

There were those who, like Henry, whose clear eye saw the future as with divination, pinned faith upon Gallic enmity to England and looked for a sign of aid. But the months came and went without its appearance. Now the Third congress was sitting, and France was silent. Granted a defiance to Great Britain, the outcome was doubtful—how doubtful five red years of smoke and blood were to demonstrate.

As the pendulum vibrated a British fleet in the Delaware brought the war within hearing, and Lord Howe hove to off Sandy Hook with all his army.

The congress was, after all, a miniature of the country. It held a Tory party who awaited some disaster to become dangerous. It held faint hearts who croaked, despondent ones who predicted ruin and brave hearts that dared a struggle they believed would be uncertain.

On such a field for twenty-five long days a determined battle was fought. It ended at last, and one evening Thomas Jefferson of Virginia betook himself to a little house back of an oblong green, where lived Dr. Franklin, and wrote the first draft of the Declaration of Independence.

There comes a time in the history of every great movement when it must go forward or die. Lethargy breeds reaction. The fierce fight for a Declaration had marked this point now. In the three days since the vote the opposition had gathered its shattered forces. There were new mutterings, and the little Virginian delegation in the shop of Mr. James Randolph on High street knew that the defiance which was to be offered on the morrow, if it were to be signed at all, must be signed quickly.

So out of a humid morning grew the afternoon of the 3d of July for Philadelphia. It came in heat, with a brazen sky.

Opposite Mr. Randolph's shop on the same evening Joseph Galloway, the lawyer, walking slowly, paused and looked across the street. He was thickset and middle aged, with a smooth, crafty face and restless eyes.

He had lacked Whig patriotism in the First congress. The Second would have none of him. And yet he had earlier led the popular party against the proprietary. Such strange overturnings the new idea of freedom was bringing about. The fierce Tory rancor which had made of this man at first "the defender of the prerogative" was to convert him later into a spy, a refugee and a sour pensioner of George III.

Now, there was the open hatred of a bitter Tory in the look Joseph Galloway cast upon the little shop.

"Good day, Mordecai," he said in greeting to a rotund merchant Quaker who joined him. "I see you also looking. What think you our Virginia hot bloods will brew next in their den yonder?"

The Quaker frowned. "I love them not," he answered. "What saith the Scriptures? 'For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds.'"

"Gentlemen of birth and wealth, forsooth," continued Galloway angrily, "and yet prating like the veriest clouts of independence and brotherhood! Whose was the bill to separate from Great Britain? Richard Henry Lee's. And who has written the Declaration that is to be thrust beneath the delegates' noses tomorrow? Thomas Jefferson. These Virginians! Would we had never heard of Virginia before we came to this!

"Look you"— He broke off and pointed with his stick where a coach bowled along High street. It was richly furnished and bore arms on its panels. On the cushions, exquisitely dressed in a white uniform, sat a blocky, military looking man with bushy wig and foreign mustachios. He wore a cocked hat.

"'Tis M. Pliarne," said the Quaker. "These French parasites with powder to peddle, Friend Joseph, would joy to see the colonies plunged into bloody strife. They would batten on our extremity, 'for wheresoever the carcass is, there the eagles be gathered together.'"

"French officers!" ejaculated Galloway. "Aye, or adventurers! As like to be one as another. Mayhap M. Pliarne goes to see the precious envoy whose newcoming the town gapes about."

"He is to be received?"

"Tomorrow afternoon. 'Tis an open secret. Notice was sent the house this morning."

"'Twas averred in the street but now that he is come from Louis XVI."

"Let them jabber!" grumbled Galloway. "Little store is to be set by these fine envoys. I mind me when the Frenchman came to the congress last November. You heard of that, mayhap. There was the same excitement; a committee appointed, too, I remember. John Jay was upon it. They met the personage in a room in Carpenter's hall, and what think you they found? Why, a little old frog eater with a clubfoot, who when they asked him for his authority drew his hand across his throat, and says he, 'Gentlemen, I shall take care of my head!' That was all they could get out of him. Some imbecile belike. And even then there were those who saw great signs in it. A pest on all such, say I!"

The Quaker shook his head doubtfully. "Yet there is much hoped for from this present message," he said. "I heard it on good authority some months ago that a French marquis was to come hither. 'Twas said Benjamin Franklin had written of the matter from London. Mayhap this is the same."

"Bosh!" sniffed Galloway. "'Tis absurd, I say, the faith that is put in such a vain and empty hope! I do know that half the delegates have some such folly in their heads. The Declaration is to be offered for signing tomorrow, and, look you, it is in the minds of some members to retard action upon it, hoping such a message from France may bolster faint hearts."

"Thou dost not think they will sign, then?"

"God forbid!" rejoined Galloway fervently. "I cannot believe we are so near madness as that. And yet I would that naught had been heard of a message from France. Methinks tomorrow will be warm. Good night to you, Mordecai."

As the two friends talked the chimes had clangored from Christ church, and just as the tones sounded a stout-trunched old man with a shrewd, simple face under a broad hat lifted the latch of a nearby gate which barred an oblong green yard from the street.

Therein under a mulberry tree where yellow cabbage butterflies went kissing wings a chubby woman was sitting by a table whereon stood some books and a glass bottle containing a two headed snake in spirits. Two tousled children rolled and romped unheeded under foot. The film of twilight was falling from a cooling sky.

"You are late, father," the woman said as the old man greeted her. "Supper is almost ready. Young Mr. Jefferson has sent word that he will be here this evening. I do hope," she added good naturedly, "that you won't sit up all night again over that tiresome paper he is writing. Laws! One would think it had been a real speech."

She ran to fetch a dish of tea, and her father sat down in his chair and took off his hat. His head was bald, with a fringe of white hair. He was mopping his forehead with a large kerchief when she returned with the tea.

"Bless me!" she said as the gate clicked. "Here is some one to see you already. A young man and handsome," she whispered, as he came nearer, "but how pale!" It was Armand.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE U. B. F. AND S. M. T. OF TEXAS

The Grand Lodge of the United Brothers of Friendship and Sisters of the Mysterious Ten of Texas met in the city of Dallas, August 28th, and re-elected the following officers:

W F. Bledsoe of Marshall, Grand Master.

D. A Starks of Hempstead, Deputy Grand Master.

F. W. Gross of Victoria, Grand Secretary.

Dr. G. S. Conner of Waco, Assistant Grand Secretary.

Joseph Nichols of Houston, Grand Treasurer.

H. D. Robinson of Colorado, Grand Auditor.

The grand secretary made the following report for the year ending August 31, 1905:

RECEIPTS

For widows and orphans.....	$21,286 88
Home and business fund.....	1,856 85
Grand Lodge taxes..........	3,661 69
National Grand Lodge taxes.	327 47
Sale of supplies............	744 10
Interest on U S. bonds	275 00
Loan......................	25 00
Total receipts for one year...	$28 176 99

DISBURSEMENTS

Widows and orphans........	$17 370 30
United States bonds.........	4,208 73
Printing and supplies.......	1 217 31
Grand Lodge contingent....	496 99
Miscellanies...............	750 10
Mutual aid expenses........	342 60
Grand Master's office.......	200 00
Grand Treasurer's office.....	136 00
National Grand Lodge taxes.	300 00
Total disbursements for 1 yr..	$25,412 36

EXCERPTS FROM THE REPORT.

Value of property $100,000; amount of invested fund $10,000; balance on hand, including bonds, $22 000; amount paid widows and orphans in twelve years, $126,000; number of lodges, temples and juveniles, 434; number of members, 8,000.

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Negro Minister Refused to Conduct the Funeral Services.

Evansville, Ind., Special.—Squire Letcher, a well-known colored man and a Union veteran soldier died recently and the Rev. W. H. Anderson, pastor of the colored Baptist church was asked to conduct the funeral services. He refused on the ground that the family had secured the services of a white undertaker, in preference to a Negro undertaker. Rev. Anderson says there is a scheme of foot in this city to ruin any Negro financially who undertakes to embark in any legitimate business. The family called in another minister, who conducted the funeral with the white undertaker. The feeling is running high among the Negroes here. Rev. Anderson is one of the best known colored ministers in the State.

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COLORED FARMERS PREPARING TO EFFECT AN ORGANIZATION

EFFORTS FOR MUTUAL BENEFIT

A Colored Transportation Company Chartered—Gossip in Political Circles--A New Insurance Company--Personals, Church News, Deaths etc

Clarksville, Tenn. Special.—A colored farmer's organization is being perfected and the first meeting will be held September 30. This is a step in the right direction, if there is any benefit to be derived from it. But be careful and don't be too hasty, look well before enlisting in this army. As your product can not be consumed at home and you must sell to reap the benefit. When the foreign market has been supplied, there will be no demand for the American weed If you see proper to organize, then stick together and let no man break the ranks. Together is the is the only method by which you may cause the enemy to retreat but should you divide you stand as targets for the united foe. You should be guided by your own mind, let A say what he will or may but B must look after those depending upon him. So black brothers of the patch make no mistake.

The target practice among the the States army and navy at Seagrit, N. J., is finished. Tennessee was the tail end, scoring 1621 out of a possible 2000 beating Indians out of the last place. Tennessee carried no Negroes.

A new insurance company is doing business here paying sick and accident benefits but no death benefits. Insurance is a good thing when you are in the right company.

We see that a goodly number of the young men have announced their candidacy for alderman, which goes to show that they are interested in the city. But we see no Negro's names except in the Ninth Ward. What is the matter with the young colored men that they fail to aspire for an office in the city government? Have they decided to decamp? You said you wanted some one to turn up something and now the ball has begun to roll. Why not get out a candidate for alderman in each ward and also for mayor, and once more let the black boy rally around the polls as in the days of Graham's election? Will some young man set the pace, as the older men have given up and taken a back seat? We need a Moses, and the entire colored population is calling. Who will answer?

A colored transportation company at Nashville with a capital stock of $25,000, have taken out a charter. Automobiles and other conveyances will be used for the accommodation of colored people. It may be extended all over the State. A death blow to the "jim crows."

Mrs. Burns, the evangelist of Nashville is assisting Dr. S. Myer, pastor of the A. M. E Zion church, in a camp meeting. She is one of the best lady preachers in the South and meets with great success.

Mrs. Lena Martin, wife of Rev. R. G. Martin died at Nashville recently. Mrs Martin was educated in this city and taught here for a number of years. She was married to Dr. Martin and then resided in Memphis where her husband practices medicine. Mrs. Martin is of a lovable disposition and had many friends.

The Midget Wedding given at the C. M. E church was a grand success and was well attended.—The theatre season opened September 8

George James, the old reliable blackmith is in the city after five years absence.—Cellus Powers and Rev. I. C. Jones are ill.—Eli Hutchen has gone to Louisville.—Mrs. Ed. Parker, formerly of Louisville is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. B. Stacker. Phillip H. Brown, editor of the Hopkinsville Dailey News spent a few days in the city.—Miss Minnie Wardel has returned home to visit her parents. Rev. J. C Martin, of Nashville, Mrs. Reuben Bell, Chicago, Dr. R. G. Martin, Memphis, and Rev. Lockett, Louisville are in the city.

TALLULAH, LA.

Things are at a standstill here. Dr. Kraus, the government health officer, give Tallulah a clean bill of health, free of yellow fever, on the 31st. He returned Sept. 3rd from Lake Providence, La. and found three cases of fever, Mr. J. V. Severee, Mr. A. T. Lane and Mr. Rub McCall, the great chicken trainer of North La. We hope to see our friends out in the near future.—It was rumored here that there were about thirty-one cases of fever. The sick list last week was as follows:

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CARBON HILL, ALA.

The corner stone of the Pleasant Hill Baptist church was laid Sunday Sept. 3, under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. The church has also installed a new bell in the belfry which is the best bell in the town.—Lou McCollum is out after his recent illness.—Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Watley have returned from Patton where they have been on a visit to relatives.—Rev. Moulton baptized quite a number of converts Sunday, Sept. 10. The C. M E. Church has let bids for the repairing of the church.—Walter Hopkins, Cuince Metcalf and Shelby Wilsop will leave in a short time for Tuskeegee Institute.—Mrs. Virginia Hopkins is on the sick list.—Miss Jessie Taylor left last week to spend a short time at Birmingham after which time she will leave for Wilberforce, O.—We hope to have the new school building completed soon.

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Mrs, Fanny Barrier Williams of Chicago, who wriets signed articles for one of the Sunday editions, is a colored woman. She is the only woman of her race who is a member of the Chicago Woman's Club.

Dr. Marcus F. Wheatland, of Newport, R. I. was called in consultation in the case of Miss Walsh the daughter of Thomas Walsh the Washington, D. C. millionare who was injured in an auto accident. Dr. Wheatland is an X-ray expert. He made several X-ray pictures of Miss Walsh's broken leg, and by means of them enabled the attending physicians to determine the real seat of the injury which was far from where they had supposed.

The city of Centralia, Washington, honored the memory of George Washington, the colored founder of that town, by closing stores in the afternoon of Aug. 29th when his funeral was held. Born two years after Waterloo, Washington settled in Ohio, and later in Missouri, which signally honored him by passing a special law, making him a citizen of the state, and entitling him to complete citizenship, except the privilege of holding office. He lived near the site of St. Joseph before the civil war. He came to Oregon and Washington in 1850.

B. P. Blair, of Sully county, South Dakota, is out urging Negroes to immigrate to his state and form a Negro colony. Mr. Blair is the sole Negro resident of that big South Dakota county, is rich, has much land and feels that it is just the place for the black man. For over 20 years Mr. Blair, who has acquired more than 1,000 acres of government land, has been the only Negro in Sully county. For a number of years he has been making plans for the colonization of the country in the vicinity of his farm by importing thousands of Negroes, preferably from Iowa, who by combining their efforts in the community of interests, will be enabled to prosper more than they could in the average American city.

The street car companies of Nashville, Tenn. are up in the air over the sudden reduction of the daily receipts. The street cars attempted to put "Jim Crows" on to stay in Nashville, and the intelligent colored men of wealth said before they would ride with them they would walk. They have organized a transportation company of fine carriages, and fifteen up-to date automobiles are being purchased now for the use of the colored people in that city. The "Fare please" cry is not made half so often as it used to be, and some of the employes of the street railway are expected to be cut out of their jobs on account of old "Jim Crow." The colored organization is known as "The Union Transportation Co.," with a capital of $25,000

Miss Harriet A. Gibbs, director of music in the colored public schools of Washington, D. C., and president of the Washington Conservatory of Music, and Miss Abby Williams, instructor of instrumental music in the Washington Conservatory, who sailed for Paris last June, were joined in the latter part of July by Misses Portia Washington, daughter of Booker T. Washington, and Jane E. Clark, who came from London. The whole party are guests of the Grand Hotel des Ecoles, and have been accorded many social attentions by prominent Parisians

On Aug. 3, they were guests of honor at a briliant reception tendered to them in the Grand Palais Royal hotel, one of the most palatial hotels in Europe, by the world famous linguist and scholar, Dr. Blyden, minister from Liberia to France. On the following Saturday, Dr. Blyden took the ladies for a drive to see the sights of Paris, his English secretary acting as guide. Naturally the ladies with their musical tasts and education, have missed no opportunity to hear the grand operas for which Paris is so justly famous.

On Aug. 15, Miss Gibbs, accompanied by Miss Washington and Miss Clark, left Paris for an extended trip in the South of France, Switzerland and Italy, returning by way of Germany; Misses Washington and Clark going to Berlin and Miss Gibbs returning to Paris, where she will remain until the arrival of her sister, Mrs Ida Hunt, wife of the United States Consul to Madagascar Miss Abby Williams who has devoted her time to the further study of the piano, sailed for America on September 7, from Geneva, Italy.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.....

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

Sporting editors of various papers not finding but little else to do these days have brought about the talk that the long forgotten Bob Armstrong is the man that Jack Johnson should battle with instead of Jeffries, and Johnny Mack, Bob's manager is forever running off his "gab" to that end, A few days ago Johnny was heard to say the following: "Johnson claims the colored heavy weight championship because he defeated Denver Ed. Martin. Armstrong has defeated Martin so often that if he ever trims the man from Denver again I'll have him arrested. * * * * If Johnson comes East and no regularly installed club will hang up a prize, I know where they can get a good purse from a private club not very far away and I'll post a forfeit with the Cincinnati Enquirer any time Johnson says the word. That is a big speech to come from a little fellow like me, but it goes." We wonder who has touted Johnny up to this, when every one knows that poor old Bob would stand no show at all with even the likes of Johnson. It would certainly be a shame for Jack to take the money. But just to satisfy 'Nervy" Mack we are in hopes that Johnson might some day recognize this grit. All who have heard Mack do such "chinning" can not help but take it as a "serio-comic landing" on the part of a certain Ohio promotor's fistic discussion to derive newspaper benefits.

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Despite the great amount of talk about Jimmy Britt claiming the championship lightweight of the world George Siler says that Joe Gans will still hold the title unless some one wins it from him in battle. There is no doubting this because Gans won the title from Frank Erne at 135 pounds, which has always been the supposed weight of that class. It seems that most of the white fighters are trying to make a class of their own, and a poor one. But to make better argument, Gans won his last battle from Britt at the low weight of 133 pounds. By all means there is no reason why either Gans or his friends should worry over Britt's claiming or Nelson's claiming of the title. Though Joe kept his title and won his victory by a foul from Britt, nevertheless it is his today at any stage of the game. There is another thing to look at too and it is this. If Britt was a man of fairness and would only give Gans just one more chance at him at the regular schedule weight 135 pounds, there is very little doubt that lingers in any ring sider's head but that Gans would easily settle this dispute over the championship.

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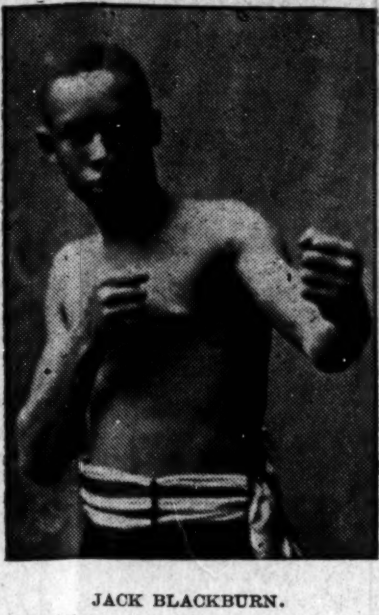
Jack Blackburn, of Philadelphia, and Larry Temple fought twelve rounds to a draw before the Nonpareil Club, of South Sheron, Tuesday, September 5.



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One of the fastest games of ball that has been put before the public this season was played Labor Day at the Northwestern Base Ball Park. In the first game the A. B. C's showed themselves to be the better by a score of 7 to 1 and in the next game the New Castle team proved themselves to be the better by a score of 3 to 1,

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JAMES JULIUS TURNER.

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Today the fighting game would be in greater shape were it not for two everlasting knockers and kickers, and these two the sporting world find in James Edward Britt and James J. Jeffries. There is never anything good enough for them or anything that ever goes to suit them. It would be a handsome thing if the boxing realm was rid of such fanatics. Jeffries has said that he has retired from the ring for good and I am in hopes that he has and will never again have anything to do with it and I am hopnig that Britt will shortly follow. Who can point out in all the history of the boxing game where that there was ever a fighter who has given managers clubs and people so much trouble as these two hoodlums?

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The result of the Britt-Nelson fight, believe, meets the hearty approval of every sporting man on either continent. When you have read well the course of the eighteen rounds of this fight you will come to the conclusion that Britt was never the fighter that he has been reported in the dailies by friends. Nelson has always been the better man, and had he been given the "square deal" long ago he would have put off Britt at first. As I have always said Britt, and Jeffries also, always did want the best of any fight they ever signed for. Now if Britt continues to let his opponents have a "square deal" as he did with Nelson he will be made a "has been" in a short time, which will be better for the pugilistic world. I have great faith in Nelson as a man who will give the colored fighter a show and will not be making propositions that will be impossible for the colored "pug" to challenge him He should now go after Gans for the title, at the weight of 135 pounds Viva la Nelson!

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We are in hopes that the A. B. C's will give some attention to Dayton and put things through as they have been doing all season.

OAKLAND CAL

A B. Martin has bought a home, 1216 Fralta street and has moved into it.—Eli Martin died recently at his late residence in Chester street. He was a native of New Orleans and thirty-nine years old. The funeral services were held at the Cooper A. M. E. Z. church by Rev W. W. Matthews. Interment at Mountain View Cemetery. A wife, two children and a niece survive him.

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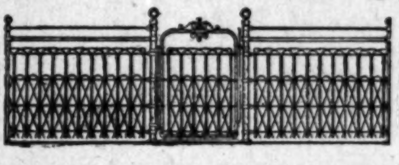

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Charles Mitchel has returned to the city.

Mrs. F. Foster will visit in Chicago next week.

John H. Jackson spent Sunday at Cincinnati.

Mrs. Annie Williams visited in Marion Sunday.

Henry Robinson spent Sunday in Fort Wayne.

Miss Virgie Whitset is ill with typhoid fever.

Rev. Chambers left Tuesday noon for Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Aletha Bird is ill at her home in Blackford street.

All society uses Woodbine Perfumes Blodau's drug store.

Mrs. Carrie Mae Howell Ward was in the city last week.

Mrs, Mary L Williams will spend two weeks in Chicago.

Benjamin Golden returned to his home at Louisville, Sunday.

Mrs. John H. Jackson and children have returned from the South.

Mrs. S. Taylor of Vermont street is visiting friends in Louisville, Ky.

Revs. Stewart and Schaffer are attending conference at Evansville,

The Riesner Baptist church will give a social tonight for the benefit of the pastor.

Miss Eva Brown, of Washington, D. C. schools, left Wednesday for her home.

Mrs. Dan Brown and son have returned home after spending the summer in Frankfort.

Wm. Jackson has returned home accompanied by his father, Wm. Jackson of Evansville.

The Woman's Improvement Club will meet with Mrs. Ida Bryant next Thursday night.

W. D. Johnson, editor of the Kentucky Standard was in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Ada Goens D. M. N. G. of Household of Ruth, paid an official visit to Muncie this week.

O. C. Williams, of Phillips, Ark., a prominent lumber man was a caller at The Freeman last week.

Mrs. Eva Simmons, of Danville, Ill. is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Mary Watkins in Thirteenth street.

"Billie" Thompson has returned to the city from the east, where he has been spending the summer.

The American United Workers will give the grandest musical of the season, at Tomlinson Hall, October 3.

The Ladies Guild of St. Philips Mission will give an entertainment at Odd Fellows Hall, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Tribble, accompanied by her grandson Elic, have returned to the city after a pleasant visit in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Donnell, of Terre Haute were the guests of his aunt, Mrs. Cornelia Donnell and family, last Sunday.

Thomas Van Cleave and daughter, of Vincennes are visiting his sister, Miss Eleanor Van Cleave in Dorman street.

Queen Esther Court of Calanthe is the first society to send in $6 to the Alpha Home as a donation for the year.

Nahum Daniel Brascher, Editor The Cleveland Journal, Cleaveland, O., was a caller at The Freeman office last Monday.

The Missouri Conference of the A, M. E. Z church will convene at Jones Tabernacle, Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Anna Scott left Sunday for Columbus, O., to join her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will reside there permanently.

Dr. and Mrs. Woody Barnes and son of New Orleans with her maid were the guests of Mrs. J. M. Runnells in North street. They were en route to New York.

Mrs. Roberts, in Pace street, the mother of Fred Patridge, was stricken with paralysis last Monday and has not since recovered. Her speedy recovery is hoped for.

After a two weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jackson in East Sixteenth street, Miss Mamie Jackson returned to Milwaukee, where she is stopping with her aunt.

Meridian Lodge, No. 33, F & A. M. will lay the corner stone of Zion A. M. E. church, Freemont street, Haughville, tomorrow at 3 o'clock. All masons and the public are invited to attend.

The pipe organ for Bethel A. M. E Church has arrived and is now under construction. The audience room will be closed to the public for a few weeks. Sept. 26th a recital by Chas. Hanson.

In August the Board of Managers of the Alpha Home voted to appeal to all churches, societies and clubs to assist in supporting our aged women, It is hoped all will help in this worthy enterprise.

The funeral of Mrs. Jane Payton was held at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Blackwell Thursday afternoon of last week. Rev. Stewart conducted the services. A husband and two daughters survive her.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Nunn entertained at supper Friday evening of last week, in honor of Mrs. Ora King of Chicago, who has been visiting friends and relatives here, the last two weeks. Mrs. King returned home Saturday.

Rev. Alexander, one of the prominent local preachers of Simpson Chapel church, died at his home in Hosbrook street; his funeral was held from the above church last Monday, the pastor officiating. Interment in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Pauline Merrit, who gave the Alpha Home for aged women, attended the services held at Simpson Chapel on last Sunday for aged people, and expressed herself as well pleased with the interest manifested in the Home. The inmates of the Home and others numbering one hundred and twenty-five were guests of the chapel.

Harry Wyatt entertained last week complimentary to Miss Eva Brown and Miss Anna Pettiford, of Washington, D C. On Thursday evening an informal reception at the home of Mrs Retta Moss; Friday evening, a theatre party at English's; Saturday evening at whist at the home of Mrs. William Brown; Sunday, a drive over the city. Misses Brown and Pettiford were the guests of the former's sister, Miss Mattie Brown

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MINEOLA, TEXAS.

It is very dry in this part of the country now and we need a rain.—Mr. Henry Thomas, who lives two miles southwest of town has five cows and four calves for sale and wants $6 for them.—The members of the Baptist Church have had a good time for two weeks and baptised on the 10th.—Ads for lost relatives one cent a word.

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